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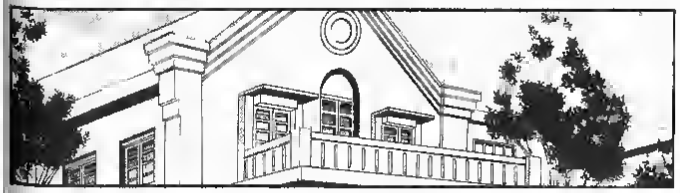
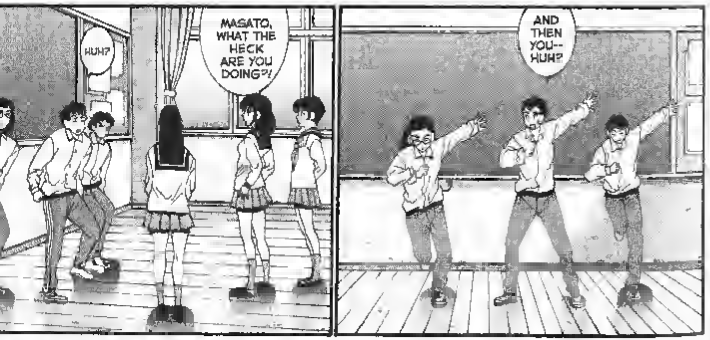
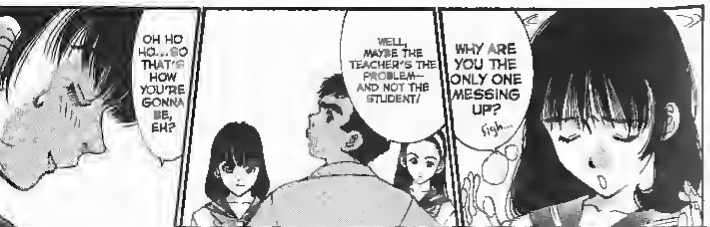


YES!! RIGHT OVER HERE!!
ANY OBJECT-IONS?
IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT STUDENTS IN GROUPS OF THREE, WILL BE PERFORMING A DANCE BY THE INCREDIBLY POPULAR IDOL GROUP "MIX."
AND SO, OUR CLASS WILL BE HOLDING ITS PERFORMANCE ON THE MAIN STAGE DURING THIS YEAR'S CULTURE FESTIVAL.
WHY DO WE HAVE TO DO IT?!
WHAT?! YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!
...HAD TO PERFORM AS AN ALL-FEMALE DANCE GROUP AT THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL.
HEY! THAT'S NOT FAIR!
IN THAT CASE, HOMEROOM IS NOW OVER.
AND THAT'S HOW ME AND MY BUDDIES, YAMASHITA AND SUZUKI...
LATER, AFTER SCHOOL...
I HOPE YOU'RE ALL UP TO THE CHAL-LENGE!
AND, STARTING TODAY, WE'LL ALL BE STAYING AFTER SCHOOL TO BEGIN PRACTICE!
AND EVEN THOUGH YOUR GRADES SUCK, YOU'RE ACES AT SPORTS! I'M SURE YOU'LL HAVE A NATURAL FEEL FOR THE RHYTHM!
WELL SEEING AS HOW YOU THREE ARE ALWAYS TOGETHER, YOU'LL WORK WELL AS A TEAM.
QUIT WHINING AND DANCE, MASATO!
Huff... Huff... Huff...
BUT I ALREADY TOLD YOU! I SUCK AT DANCING!
RIGHT, AND THEN TURN!
STEP THIS WAY!
SWAY YOU HIPS MORE!
OH, GREAT... I JUST RIPPED MY SHIRT!
WHAT IS IT?
URK!
RIP
YOU BET!
RIGHT, MIKA?

NOW, THEN... LET'S SEE YOU MOVE THOSE LEGS!
GRIN
SHE'S OBVIOUSLY GETTING A KICK OUT OF ALL THIS...
ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR...
TWO, TWO, THREE, FOUR...


MASATO, WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING?!
HUH?
AND THEN YOU--
HUH?

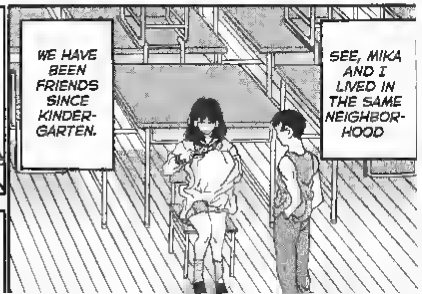

OH HO HO...SO THAT'S HOW YOU'RE GONNA BE, EH?
WELL, MAYBE THE TEACHER'S THE PROBLEM--AND NOT THE STUDENT!
WHY ARE YOU THE ONLY ONE MESSING UP?
fish...

SNIP
SWEEP
O-OH. THANKS.
CLACK
HERE, LET ME SEE...

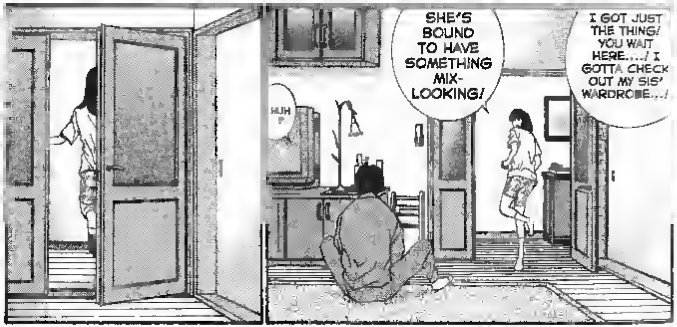
PULL

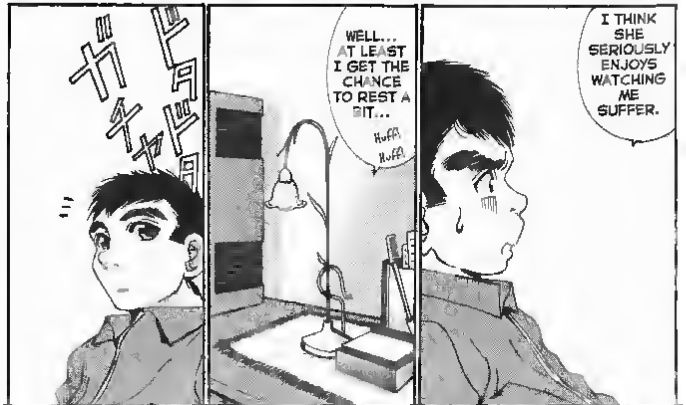
MAYBE THAT MEANS SHE LIKES ME...
SHE'S ALWAYS TAKING CARE OF ME LIKE THIS.

!
THERE! RIGHT AS RAIN!


WE HAVE BEEN FRIENDS SINCE KINDER-GARTEN.
SEE, MIKA AND I LIVED IN THE SAME NEIGHBOR-HOOD

UH, IT'S NOT LIKE I WANT TO BE A LAUGHING-STOCK.
IF YOU DON'T, NO ONE WILL LAUGH!
ARE YOU CRAZY?! IF YOU'RE GONNA DO IT, THEN DO IT RIGHT!
BEATS ME. I'M THINKIN' WE'LL JUST USE OUR GYM UNIFORMS


HUH
SHE'S BOUND TO HAVE SOMETHING MIX-LOOKING!
I GOT JUST THE THING! YOU WAIT HERE.../ I GOTTA CHECK OUT MY SIS' WARDROBE.../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WELL... AT LEAST I GET THE CHANCE TO REST A BIT...
Huff! Huff!
I THINK SHE SERIOUSLY ENJOYS WATCHING ME SUFFER.

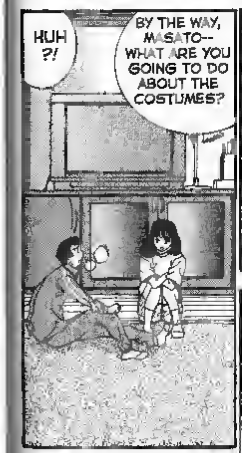
BOOT CAMP?!

MY HOUSE/ THIS SUNDAY/ WE'RE GONNA HAVE OURSELVES A REAL WORKOUT/ BOOT CAMP STYLE!

HUH... THIS MIGHT ACTUALLY TURN OUT TO BE FUN!
BOOT CAMP OR NOT, THIS MEANS IT'LL JUST BE THE TWO OF US-- ALONE!

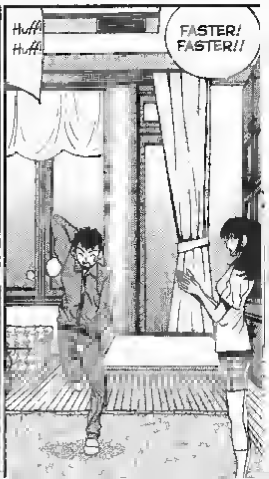
WELL, MAYBE IT WON'T ALL BE BAD...

HOWEVER, THAT FOLLOWING SUNDAY...


HUH ?!
BY THE WAY, MASATO-- WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT THE COSTUMES?

WHY DO I HAVE TO DO ALL THE WORK?!
Huff! Huff!
FUN MY BUTT!

Pant! Pant!
YOU'RE REALLY SHAPING UP NICELY!


Huff! Huff!
FASTER! FASTER!!

HOLY MONKEY!!
FEAST YOUR EYES ON THIS, BABY!
WELLLL...? WHAT DO YA THINK? I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY ON ONE OF THESE
N-NO QUESTION THERE...

DWAH ?!
CHECK THESE OUT!!
TA-DA !!
ポン
AND LET'S NOT FORGET THE WIG!
HM?
YOU CAN'T... BE SERIOUS...
I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE IT!
THE PERFORMANCE IS GONNA BE A BLAST WITH THESE!
!
HEE HEE HEE...
HEY, WHAT'S WITH THE BATH-ROBE?

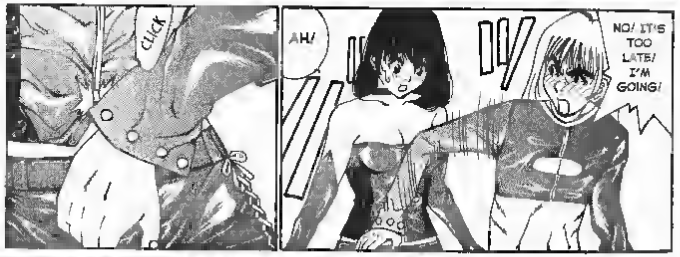
HMM...
FINE, THEN! NOW-- WATCH CLOSE-LY...!
TO THE RIGHT!
TO THE LEFT!
THEN YOU GO FRONT, FRONT...
OOOH

R RIGHT
OKAY, THEN-- BACK TO PRACTICE! AND YOU GET CHANGED, TOO!
SHE LOOKS... AMAZ-ING!
FINE. THEN YOU TRY IT.
HMM... STILL MISSING SOME-THING ...
SO WH- WHAT DO YOU THINK?
YOU'RE STILL NOT MOVING YOUR HIPS LIKE A GIRL. YOU'RE STILL TOO ...STIFF.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

NOW-- HERE COMES THE FINALE!
JIGGLE
GULP.
END WITH A SEXY FACE!
UM... BABY
HM?

...AND BACK!
HUH...? WHOOOAA!!
EEEK!!
JEEZ! STAY PUT, WOULD YOU?!
BE SERIOUS, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD!
I-I AM!
S-SURE THING...!
OKAY... WELL, I'M GOING TO DO THE NEXT PART, SO PLEASE PAY ATTENTION.

OH, WAIT, WAIT--!! COME ON...! I'M SORRY!!
FORGET IT, THEN! I'M GOING HOME!
BLUSH
YEAH, BUT... HA HA! I DIDN'T SAY TO DO THAT...! Ha ha ha!
HEY! YOU TOLD ME TO DO IT!


CLICK
AH!
NO! IT'S TOO LATE! I'M GOING!

OOPS!
?!
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK

AND IT WON'T LOOK GOOD UNLESS YOU PUT SOME HEART INTO IT!
WH-WHAT?! HELL, NO! I'M NOT GONNA DO THAT!
OKAY THEN-- YOU TRY, NOW!
UUH...? OH! Y-YEAH! OF COURSE!
HEY! ARE YOU EVEN WATCHING?!

PFFF...!
UR... SAAAD!
F-FINE, THEN...

AGH! YOU LOOK LIKE SUCH A DOOFUS!
AH HA HA HA HA!!
HEH HEH HEH...

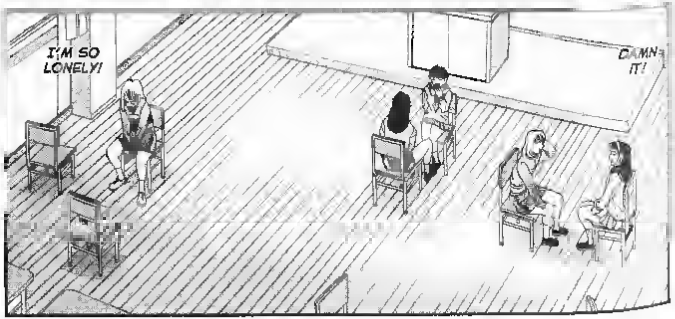
JUST SHUT UP, YOU STUPID, UGLY... MONKEY-FACE!
HEY! I NEVER ASKED FOR IT! YOU FORCED ME!
GRR!!
JUST GET OUTTA HERE!
GOOD! I WAS JUST ON MY WAY OUT!
WHAT ELSE WAS I SUPPOSED TO SAY?!
DAMN IT!

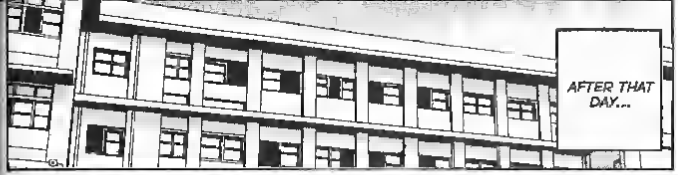
WEAR A BRA?
Y-YOU DIDN'T EVEN
HOW COULD YOU?!
IS THAT ALL YOU CAN SAY?! HERE AM I, HELPING YOU WITH LESSONS AND EVERY-THING!
EEEEEK!!
WHOAAAAA!!

TH-THANKS!
DOOH... YOU'RE SO CUTE!
MY BAD!
WAIT... HOLD STILL, SUZUKI-KUN!
Tee hee

BUT IT TICK-LES!
DON'T MOVE AROUND SO MUCH!
WE COULD'VE BEEN LIKE THAT RIGHT NOW...

...USING THIS THING AS AN EXCUSE TO GET ALL CLOSE AND CUDDLY!
DAMN THOSE GUYS...
HEE HEE HEE!
YOU'RE LOOKING GREAT!
IT WAS ALL JUST A MISTAKE!
HEY... IT'S NOT LIKE I DID ANYTHING WRONG!


I'M SO LONELY!
DAMN IT!


AFTER THAT DAY...

Hey, That's the seat I always use!
Yeah! I love that view!
I WAS!

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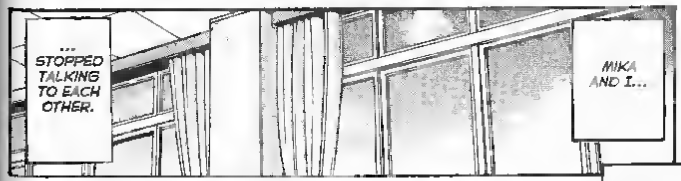
FWIP


...STOPPED TALKING TO EACH OTHER.
MIKA AND I...

16th Annual Culture
THEN, ON THE DAY OF THE CULTURE FESTIVAL...

MIKA... I'M SORRY ABOUT...WHAT HAPPENED...
BUT I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITHOUT YOU!
AND JUST WHY IS THAT?
...I NEED YOU TO BE PUSHY WITH ME.
OH, BUT I RECALL YOU SAYING THAT YOU DIDN'T NEED MY HELP!
I KNOW I SAID YOU WERE BEING PUSHY AND ALL, BUT...
HM?
スッ
MIKA...
BUT...I SHOULD APOLO-GIZE...
IT WASN'T... IT WASN'T MY FAULT...

HA HA HA HA! THIS IS JUST TOO WEIRD!
MASATO, YOU REALLY CAN'T DO ANYTHING BY YOURSELF, CAN YOU?!
WHY, WAXING YOUR LEGS, SILLY!!
?!
ANYWAY, LET'S GET BACK TO WORK.
.....
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

I... I...
B- BE CAUSE
JUST BE A MAN AND JUST SPIT IT OUT, AL READY!
...I LIKE YOU, MIKA! THAT'S WHY!
SQUIRM
SQUIRM
PEET
.....
.....

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IN MY SEVENTEEN-YEAR HISTORY OF GIRL-LESSNESS— THIS IS MY ONE BIG CHANCE TO SCORE!
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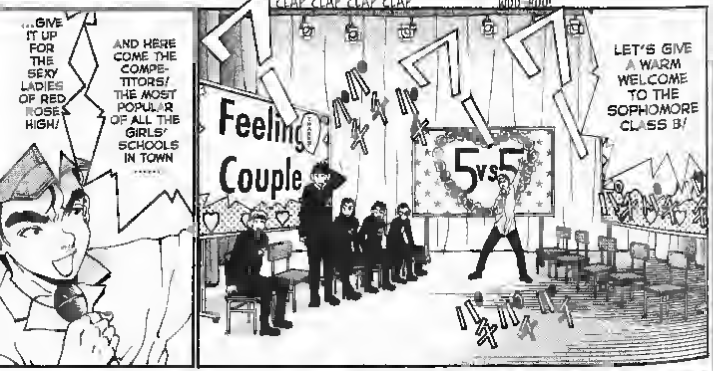
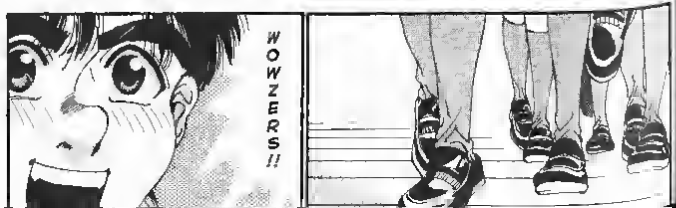
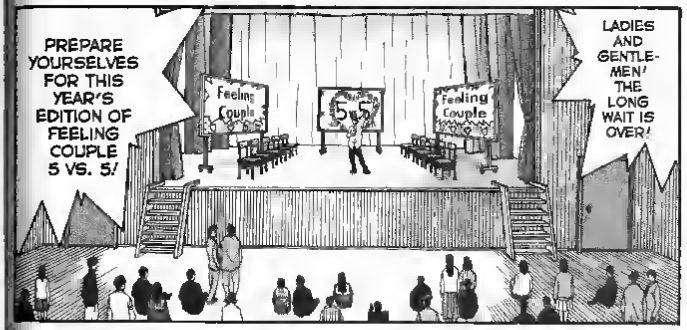
FINALLY... THE DAY HAS COME!
NOW INTRO-DUCING SOPHO-MORE CLASS B! COME UP ON STAGE, GUYS!
ALL RIGHT!!

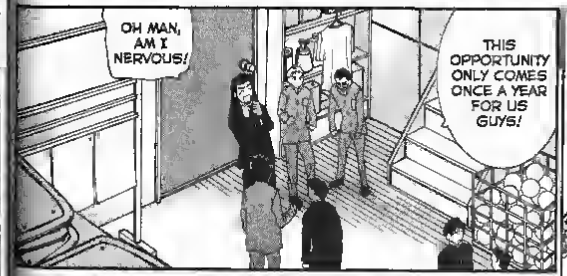
...I WILL GET A GIRLFRIEND TODAY!
NO MATTER WHAT


...GIVE IT UP FOR THE SEXY LADIES OF RED ROSES HIGH!
AND HERE COME THE COMPE-TITORS! THE MOST POPULAR OF ALL THE GIRLS' SCHOOLS IN TOWN .....
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
WOO HOO!
Feeling Couple
5vs5
LET'S GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE SOPHOMORE CLASS B!


WOWZERS!!

THE MOST POPULAR OF ALL THE EVENTS IS...
16th Annual Culture Festival
WHEN IT COMES TO THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL, BOTH THE ALL-BOYS' AND ALL-GIRLS' SCHOOLS GET TOGETHER AND HAVE A BLAST!


PREPARE YOURSELVES FOR THIS YEAR'S EDITION OF FEELING COUPLE 5 VS. 5!
Feeling Couple
5vs5
Feeling Couple
LADIES AND GENTLE-MEN! THE LONG WAIT IS OVER!


OH MAN, AM I NERVOUS!
THIS OPPORTUNITY ONLY COMES ONCE A YEAR FOR US GUYS!

HE'S RIGHT!!
WOULD YOU GUYS STOP FREAKING EACH OTHER OUT, ALREADY?!
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WE'LL SOON BE BRINGING OUT FIVE LOVELY GIRLS AND BOYS ALL THIRSTING FOR VICTORY!
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...BUT WHENEVER WE MEET, THERE'S ALWAYS A FIGHT. YOU COULD PRETTY MUCH CALL US NATURAL ENEMIES.
WE'LL INTRODUCE THE GUYS FIRST...
PLEASE, TAKE A SEAT.
HER NAME'S MAKIKO ISO. WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER SINCE GRADE SCHOOL...
ER, HELLO... I'M BOY NUMBER ONE, BUNGO HARADA. MY HOBBIES ARE--
HMPH. YOU'RE HERE TO PICK UP A GUY, HUH?
IT'S NOT MY FAULT!
M-MY FRIENDS ASKED ME TO COME
!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
5-5
WELL, YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A GIRL FRIEND ON A STAGE! YOU COULDN'T GET MORE PATHETIC IF YOU TRIED!

HM ?!
OOOH... IT'S A WHOLE MOB OF CUTIES! ♡
CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP CLAP
1
2
!
R-RYOUTA?!
M-MAKIKO...?!

O-OKAY...
NUMBER FOUR WOULD YOU PLEASE INTRODUCE YOURSELF?
THAT'S SETTLES IT! SHE'LL BE MINE BY THE END OF THIS!
BUT, IF I HAD TO CHOOSE ONE, I'D HAVE TO GO WITH NUMBER ONE!
HMM... NOW LET'S SEE...
I GOTTA MY KEEP EYES ON THE PRIZE! I WILL PERSEVERE!
NO! I MUST NOT GET DISTRACTED!
MMM. FIVE IS LOOKING FINE. CAN'T SAY ANYTHING BAD ABOUT THE BODY, AT LEAST. ♡
NUMBER FOUR IS OUT OF THE QUESTION
CRAP! CAN'T FORGET ABOUT NUMBER THREE, THOUGH! SHE LOOKS LIKE A BIT OF A PLAYGIRL, BUT I GET THE FEELING THAT SHE'S NOT INTERESTED IN JUST PLAYING AROUND!
OH! BUT NUMBER TWO LOOKS GOOD, TOO! THEY SAY THE SPORTY TYPES ARE THE ONES TO GO AFTER. LOOKS LIKE WE GOT SOME COMPETITION...
HANDS DOWN, NUMBER ONE IS A BABE! LONG, WAVY HAIR? SHE LOOKS LIKE A TOTAL PRINCESS! SHE'S ON MY LIST!
THEY'RE ALL JUST SO IRRESISTIBLE!
YEAH, RIGHT. THAT LIAR! HE BARELY LEARNED HOW TO HOLD THE POW, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD!
MY INTERESTS ARE LISTENING TO MUSIC. IN FACT, I'VE BEEN PLAYING THE VIOLIN SINCE THE AGE OF TEN
H-HELLO THERE. MY NAME'S RYOUTA KAGEYAMA.
I PLAY THE CELLO, SO PERHAPS WE CAN DO A DUET SOME-TIME?
IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, BOY NUMBER FOUR SAID THAT HE PLAYS THE VIOLIN.
IF I MEET SOMEONE REALLY NICE, I HOPE WE CAN START OFF FIRST AS GOOD FRIENDS--AND THEN SEE WHERE IT GOES
MY NAME'S MAMI SAEGUSA. BOYS AREN'T ALLOWED IN MY SCHOOL, BUT...
NOW, LET'S MOVE ON TO THE GIRLS STARTING WITH NUMBER ONE
SURE!

TIME FOR THE Q&A PORTION OF THE EVENING! QUESTIONS?
5 vs 5
AND DANCE LESSONS? WHAT A JOKE! IT WAS KARATE, NOT DANCING!
AND BAKING CAKES?! PLEASE! SURE, IF YOU LIKE 'EM BLACK AND BURNED!
NOW BACK TO THE GIRL'S SIDE. IT'S YOUR TURN, NUMBER FOUR!
UGH... I WHAT'S WITH THAT CREEPY SMILE?! YOU'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO YET, LITTLE BOY.
ALL RIGHT! I'M ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE REST!
S-SURE THING!
YOU ALL MENTIONED HAVING AN INTEREST IN MUSIC-- SO I WAS WONDERING WHAT ALBUMS YOU ACTUALLY LISTEN TO.
THIS QUESTION IS FOR BOYS TWO, THREE AND FOUR...
GO AHEAD, NUMBER ONE.
I HAVE A QUES-TION.
Feelin
Ooooh!
CLAP
MY HOBBIES INCLUDE BAKING CAKES--AND I'VE TAKEN LESSONS ON CLASSIC JAPANESE DANCE SINCE JUNIOR HIGH.
HI! MY NAME'S MAKIKO ISO IT'S REALLY NICE TO MEET YOU! ♡
CLAS-SI-CAL--
UH...I L-LIKE ...
ER...
HOW ABOUT YOU, FOUR?
I LIKE THE BEATLES!
WELL, I'M REALLY INTO TECHNO, SO MY FAVORITE ALBUM AT THE MOMENT IS TEA TOWER
HER FLIRTING IS PATHETIC!
TEE HEE, MY ASS!

HA HA HA
DO YOU REALLY EVEN OWN ONE?
HO HO
Feeling Couple
5
DON'T YOU MEAN "COUNTRY SIDE"?
HA HA HA
WELL, TWO CAN PLAY AT THIS GAME!
OH, YOU THINK YOU'RE SO CLEVER, DON'T YOU MAKIKO?
WHY, THAT SNEAKY LITTLE
I MADE SOME PRETTY GOOD GATEAU CHOC-OLATE.
!
MILLE-FEUILLE.
I MADE, ER... LET'S SEE NOW...
THIS IS A QUESTION FOR GIRLS NUMBER TWO, THREE AND FOUR. I HAVE QUITE A SWEET TOOTH, SO I WONDERING WHAT WAS THE MOST RECENT HOMEMADE SWEET YOU'VE MADE.
Feeling Couple
YES, I DO!
ANYONE HAVE ANY MORE QUES-TIONS?
HMPH... THINKS HE'S ALL THAT, HUH? HE HASN'T EVEN HEARD A NOTE OF CLASSICAL MUSIC IN HIS LIFE!
GRIN
TALK ABOUT A GOOD FIRST IMPRESSION!
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R-REALLY? GREAT! LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE SOME INTERESTS IN COMMON!
CLAS-SICAL? WELL, THAT'S MY FAVORITE, TOO!
WHAT'S THE MOST RECENT CLASSICAL MUSIC ALBUM THAT YOU'VE BOUGHT?
Y-YES?
I HAVE A QUESTION FOR NUMBER FOUR, TOO!
I THINK IT WAS BEE-THOVEN'S "PARADISE."
R-RECENT ALBUM, HUH? RIGHT... UH...
URK ...!

GREAT THANKS
Feeling
WE PLAN FOR EVERY-THING!
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!
WHY, THAT'S NO PROBLEM AT ALL! STAGEHAND, A VIOLIN IF YOU PLEASE!
ACK!
LOOKS LIKE I'LL JUST HAVE TO BITE THE BULLET...
THEY ALL MUST THINK I'M THE BIGGEST LOSER, NOW!
AAAGH! I'M SCREWED!
HEE HEE!
UH, THAT'LL BE QUITE ENOUGH! LET'S SALVAGE OUR REMAINING BRAIN CELLS...
TALK ABOUT SHORT-TEMPERED!
NO NEED TO YELL, LADY. IT WAS JUST A LITTLE, ITTY-BITTY JOKEY-WOKEY.
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY, YOU JERK?!
DON'T TELL ME YOUR CRUSTY, OLD BURNED SPONGE CAKES ARE YOUR SPECIALTY?!
HA HA HA HEE HEE!
HA HA HA!
WHAT?!
HA HA HA!
UH-WHAT IS IT NOW?
TO NUMBER FOUR...
S-SORRY, BUT I DON'T HAVE ONE WITH ME
UH-OH! SHE'S GOT ME!
GULP!
SO LET'S HAVE OURSELVES A PERFORMANCE, IF YOU'D BE SO KIND...
YOU CLAIM TO PLAY THE VIOLIN, RIGHT?

COME ON...! IT'S A TRADITIONAL JAPANESE DANCE! IT CAN'T BE THAT HARD TO MAKE UP!
OKAY... HERE I GO!
HI-YA!
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS...!
DAMN YOU, MAKIKO!
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YUP! WOULDN'T EXPECT ANYTHING BUT THE BEST FROM A GUY WHO'S BEEN PLAYING SINCE HE WAS TEN!
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DOOH HO HO HO!
IF ISO'S BEEN LEARNING TRADITIONAL DANCE FOR ALL THESE YEARS, I THINK WE DESERVE TO SEE SOME OF HER TALENT.
RIGHT NOW!
YES, NUMBER FOUR?
I HAVE A QUES-TION, SIR!
ON TO THE NEXT QUESTION, THEN
SO THAT'S HIS MOVE...
URRRK!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
I SEE NO PROBLEM AT ALL!
!
WELL THEN, NUMBER FOUR? WHAT DO YOU SAY...?

.....
.....
LOOKS LIKE YOU TWO WOULD MAKE A GOOD COUPLE--IF I DO SAY SO MYSELF!
HUH ?!
OH HO! I SEE BOTH OUR NUMBER FOURS ARE GIVING EACH OTHER THE EVIL EYE...!
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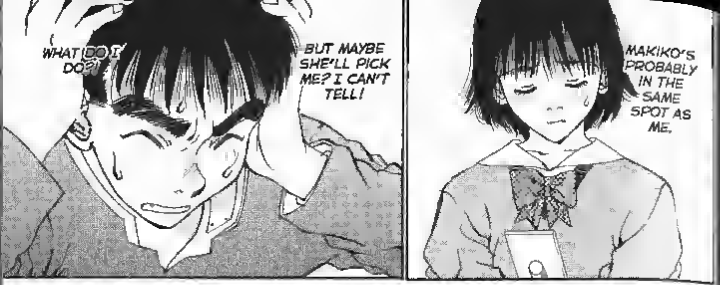
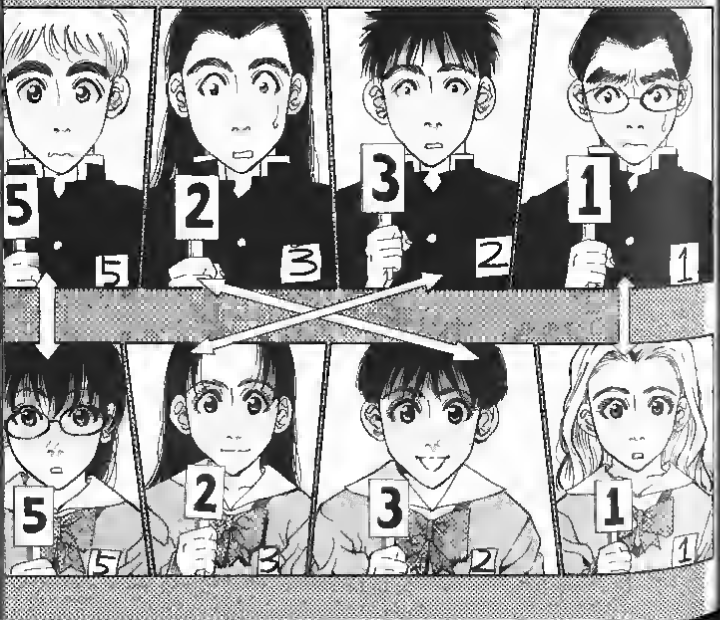
VS
Feeling Couple
Titter
Titter
Titter
THAT'S ONE OF THE SIGNS OF A GOOD MATCH! ♡
SEE? YOU EVEN SPEAK AT THE SAME TIME!
WHAT?! HOW SO?!
I HAVE A QUESTION FOR NUMBER ONE.
GOTTA RESTORE MY REP BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
CRAP! I WAS SO BUSY TRYING TO TRICK MAKIKO THAT I COMPLETELY FORGOT TO GO FOR THE OTHER GIRLS!
DAMMIT! I WISH I WAS INVISIBLE!
THAT'S ALL.
GLARE
LOOK! A BIT... STIFF TO ME.
!
YOU DID THAT ON PUR-POSE!
H-HEY! YOU DID IT FIRST!
AND THAT WAS MS. ITO'S CLASSICAL JAPANESE DANCE!
HEE HEE HEE!
Feeling Couple
GLARE


WHAT DO I DO?!
BUT MAYBE SHE'LL PICK ME? I CAN'T TELL!
MAKIKO'S PROBABLY IN THE SAME SPOT AS ME.

OKAY, GUYS-- PRESENT YOUR POSTS... NOW!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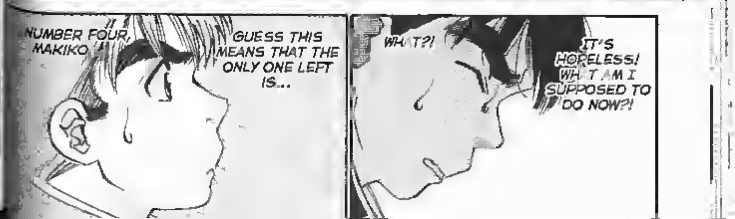
THOSE WHOSE NUMBERS MATCH WILL BE OUR WINNING COUPLES!
CONTESTANTS PLEASE RAISE THE NUMBER OF THE GIRL OR GUY THAT'S CAUGHT YOUR EYE!
AND THAT ABOUT WRAPS IT UP, GUYS!
GREAT! NOW WHAT DO I DO?!

AND THAT PROBABLY GOES THE SAME FOR THREE!
...AND FIVE.
...BUT I KNOW I HAVEN'T MADE A VERY GOOD IMPRESSION ON HER!
TWO'S STILL CUTE...
...BUT THANKS TO MAKIKO, I PROBABLY DROPPED A FEW RANKS. NOT TO MENTION THE COMPETITION FOR HER HAS GOTT PRETTY HIGH.
MY FIRST CHOICE WOULD HAVE BEEN NUMBER ONE...


NUMBER FOUR, MAKIKO.
GUESS THIS MEANS THAT THE ONLY ONE LEFT IS...
WHAT?!
IT'S HOPELESS! WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?!

Sign Feeling Couple

HMPH!
WELL, I COULDN'T STAND SEEING YOU ACT LIKE LITTLE MISS INNOCENT EITHER!
I WAS A LAUGHING-STOCK BECAUSE OF YOU!
I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN EVER FACE MY FRIENDS AGAIN!
WHAT?! I'M THE ONE THAT GOT SCREWED OVER, HERE!
GLANCE
HEY--YOU DIDN'T CHOOSE ME EITHER, REMEMBER?
WHY DIDN'T YOU PICK ME, RYOUTA?!
WHAT?
HEY LISTE
!
...I COULDN'T STAND SEEING YOU GRINNING UP THERE...
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK! DON'T FORGET YOU STARTED IT FIRST!
YOU'RE CRAZY! YOU WERE THE ONE TRYING TO MESS ME UP!
TH-THAT'S BE-CAUSE ...
YOU, UH... HUNGRY?

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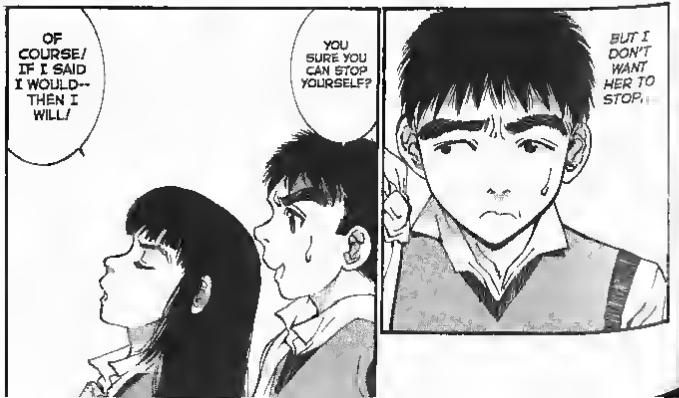
# BOYS BE™

!
SORRY-- BUT I GOT CLEANING DUTY TODAY...
HEY, NAM!
NO EXCUSES! YOU GET THIS BUSY WORK DONE ASAP! OR ELSE!
Grind Grind
RUB RUB
N-NO PROB...
I'LL BE WAITING AT THE FRONT GATE. YOU BETTER NOT KEEP ME WAITING LONG!
LET'S JUST GET IT OVER WITH ASAP!
DANG... WHY DOES CLEANING HAVE TO BE SUCH A DRAG?
UH?
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, TAKUROU!

BUT HOW CAN YOU LIKE GETTING SHOVED AROUND BY HER LIKE THAT?
YOU SAID IT!
YOU KNOW, FOR NAMI BEING SO DANG CUTE, SHE SURE IS... WILD.
GIVE IT A REST, YOU GUYS.
LET ME GUESS...YOU GUYS ARE INTO S€M, AREN'T YOU?
WE LIKE BEING PHYSICAL WITH EACH OTHER. IT'S PERFECTLY NORMAL.
THAT'S JUST THE TYPE OF RELATIONSHIP LOVE WILL BRING YA!
NOPE. IT'S LOVE, I TELL YA!
YOU SURE IT'S NOT S€M?
SORRY TO MAKE YOU WAIT!
YOU BET YOU'RE SORRY!
SQUEEZE
OW-OW!
OW, OW!
SEE, THIS WAS WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT
WHAT?! S€M?!

WHAT?!
FROM NOW ON, I'LL NEVER HIT YOU AGAIN!

NO! I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!
OH, COME ON! I DON'T MIND. WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT.


OF COURSE! IF I SAID I WOULD-- THEN I WILL!
YOU SURE YOU CAN STOP YOURSELF?
BUT I DON'T WANT HER TO STOP.

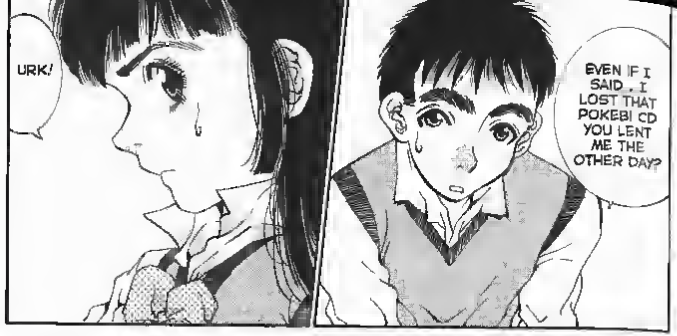
I DON'T LIKE THEM SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT!
IT'S NOT FUNNY!
I KNOW! CRAZY, HUH?!

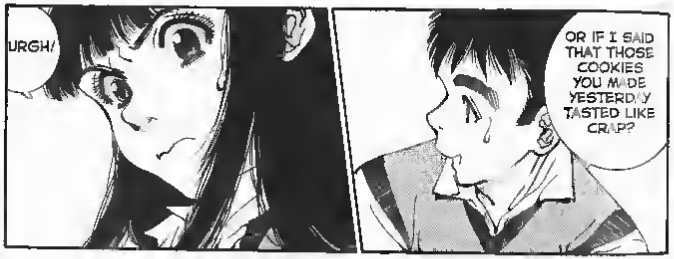
YOU MAY BE FINE WITH IT, BUT I DON'T LIKE BEING CALLED AN "S."
OH, WHO CARES WHAT THEY SAY?

THAT'S IT! NO MORE!
IS IT REALLY THAT BIG A DEAL?

I CAN CONTROL MY-SELF..!
I HIGHLY DOUBT IT..
ALL RIGHT, THEN... LET'S JUST SEE HOW MUCH SELF-CONTROL YOU DO HAVE.
READY ?
WHEN YOU ARE.

SQUEEZE
GLARE
HERE IT COMES ...!


URK!
EVEN IF I SAID, I LOST THAT POKEBI CD YOU LENT ME THE OTHER DAY?


URGH!
OR IF I SAID THAT THOSE COOKIES YOU MADE YESTERDAY TASTED LIKE CRAP?

WHAT?!
...AND I WENT THROUGH YOUR UNDERWEAR DRAWER WHEN YOU WEREN'T AROUND?
OR HOW ABOUT THAT LAST TIME I CAME OVER...

WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY...?!
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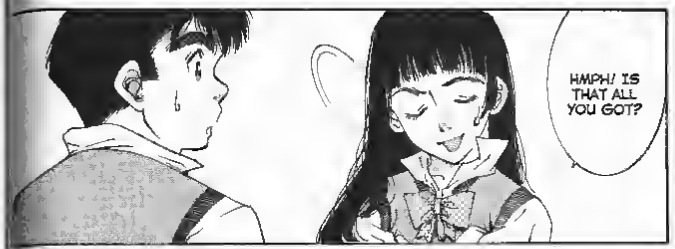
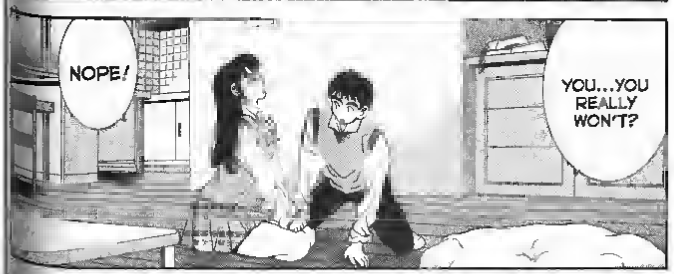

HMPH! IS THAT ALL YOU GOT?

SHE... SHE'S REALLY NOT GOING TO HIT ME?
I'VE ALREADY MADE UP MY MIND! I WON'T HIT YOU ANY-MORE!
GO AHEAD-- I KNOW YOU WANNA DO IT!


NOPE!
YOU...YOU REALLY WON'T?

WHAT? WHERE?
!
OOPS! I THINK I HAVE A RIP IN MY PANTS! COULD YOU TAKE A LOOK FOR ME?
THEN LET'S SEE HER RESIST THIS ONE...!

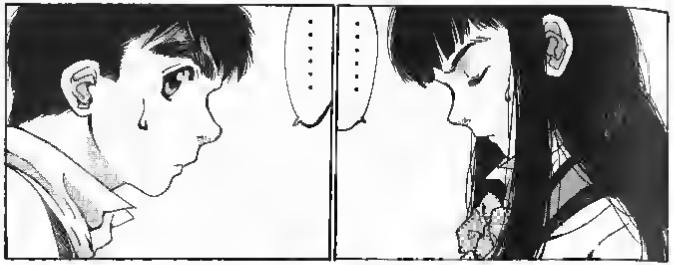
FAAAAAART

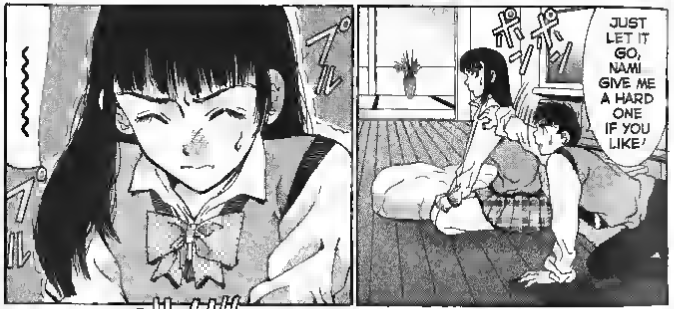
BE MY GUEST!
COME ON--RIGHT HERE! RIGHT ON THE KISSER!

SORRY... BUT THAT'S NOT ENOUGH TO GET ME ANGRY.

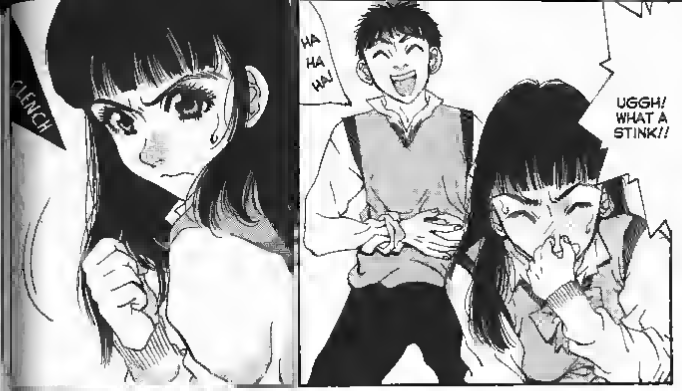
...I'M NOT HOLDING BACK...!
IT'S NOT GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH TO HOLD BACK.

HMM... SHE'S STRONGER THAN I THOUGHT ..




JUST LET IT GO, NAMI GIVE ME A HARD ONE IF YOU LIKE!

I'M THE ONE THAT DESERVES IT! NOT THE CUSHION!
I'M RIGHT HERE! GIVE IT TO ME!


CLENCH
HA HA HA!
UGGH! WHAT A STINK!!

HERE IT COMES FOR SURE!
YES! THIS IS IT!

I'LL GO GET US SOME..!
SURE THING!
?!
NOW!!

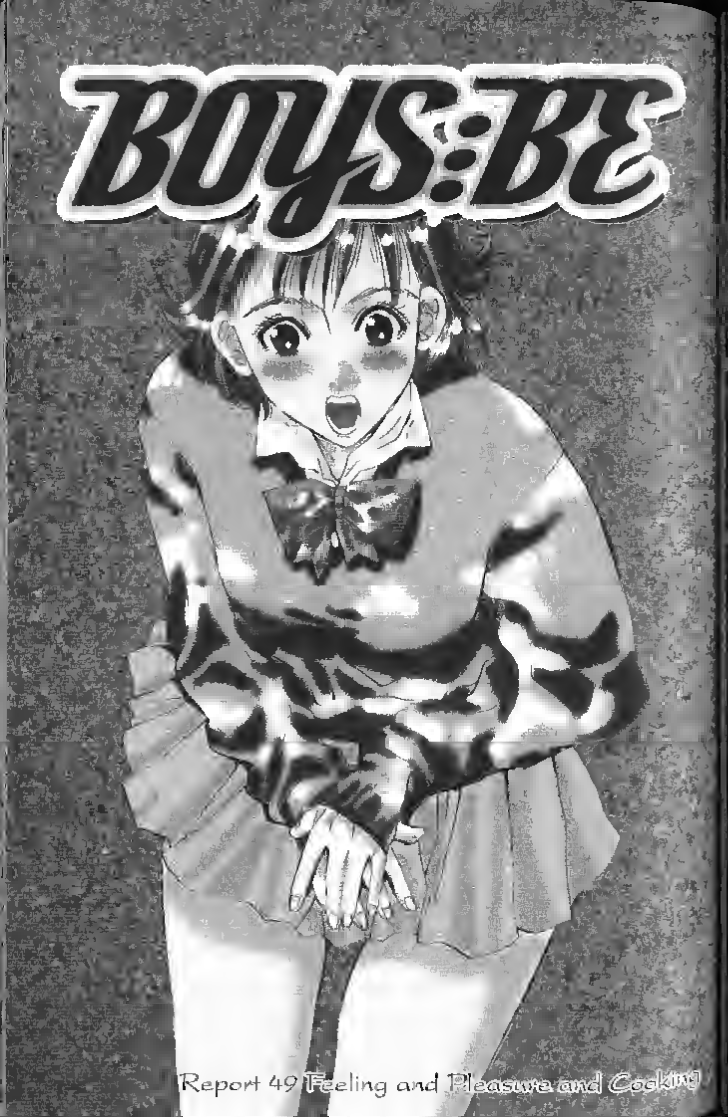
I'M NOT ANGRY...! NOOOT AAT AAAALLL...
PANT PANT
ALL RIGHT THEN--YOU WIN. I GUESS THERE'S NO TWO WAYS ABOUT IT ONCE YOU'VE MADE UP YOUR MIND
FINE! NOW SHE'S LEFT ME NO CHOICE ..
SHE'S REALLY NOT GOING TO HIT ME!
DAMN IT!
I'M PARCHED! HOW ABOUT WE HAVE SOME TEA?

Kanchou is a kid's prank in Japan in which the prankster pokes the victim's butt emulating an enema.

HUH...?
YOU HIT ME! YOU ACTUALLY HIT ME!
OH MY GOD! ARE YOU OKAY?!
DAH! DY DOSE IS BLEEDING!
SEE? I TOLD YOU YOU'D HIT ME!

FEELS GREAT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH! ♡
Huff... huff...

OKAY.
...LET'S GO BACK TO THE WAY WE WERE, OKAY?
NAMI ...
SURE, THIS LAST TIME HURT LIKE HELL, BUT EVERY TIME BEFORE THAT...I ALWAYS LIKED WHEN YOU WERE ROUGH WITH ME.
WELL, YOU REALLY DESERVED IT THAT TIME.
YEAH...I GUESS I DID.
!
WELL, IN THAT CASE— THERE'S NO TIME LIKE THE PRES-ENT...
I GUESS I JUST THOUGHT THAT WAS YOUR WAY OF SHOWING YOU LOVED ME.
HOW DO I EX-PLAIN ...?
WELL, JUST SO YOU KNOW, I DON'T HIT ANYONE ELSE.
...TO MAKE SURE!
BECAUSE... I DO LOVE YOU.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GO RIGHT AHEA—
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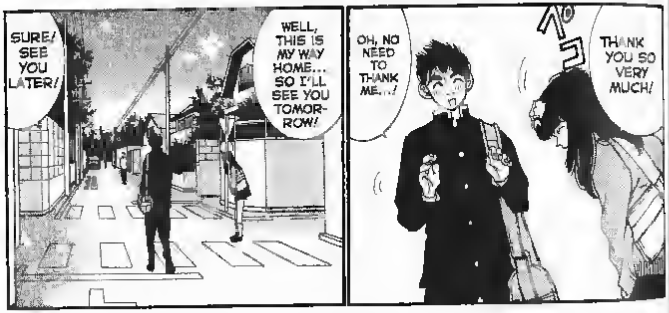
AAARGH!!
DOT IN DA SAME PLACE!
IT'S LOVE. TRUST ME.
DEY... I DON'T DINK DERE WAS DANY DOVE IN DAT ONE...

SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW!
GOOD WORK, EVERY-ONE!
HMM?
WAKATABE-SENPAI!
BOY-- AM I HUNGRY!
NO PROBLEM, YUKIKO IT WAS MY PLEASURE!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TODAY!
Huff.
THANKS
YOU WERE GREAT IN TODAY'S MATCH.
HER NAME'S YUKIKO UCHIYAMA. SHE'S THE MANAGER FOR MY SOCCER TEAM.

WHY NOT? THERE'S NO PRACTICE THAT DAY ANYWAY!
REALLY? ARE YOU SURE?
HUH?
HEY, WHY DON'T I GIVE YOU A HAND?

IT'S NO WONDER SHE'S SO POPULAR WITH ALL THE GUYS IN SCHOOL.
FOR SOMEONE A YEAR YOUNGER THAN ME, SHE'S INCREDIBLY ENERGETIC AND CHEERFUL.


SURE! SEE YOU LATER!
WELL, THIS IS MY WAY HOME... SO I'LL SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW!
OH, NO NEED TO THANK ME...!
PEKO
THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!

I'VE GOTT BE THE LUCKIEST GUY IN SCHOOL!
COOKING WITH YUKIKO... ALONE!
GRIN

BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO DO THE COOKING FOR THE ENTIRE TEAM! SURE YOU CAN HANDLE IT?
...SO I'M GOING TO TRY MY BEST!
Cooking IS my specialty, after all!
AND I'VE BEEN CHOSEN TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE COOKING ...
YEAH, I HEARD.
SENPAI, WE'RE HOLDING A CONGRAT-ULATION PARTY FOR OUR VICTORY NEXT SATURDAY.
YEAH, I KNOW, I'M A LITTLE WORRIED ABOUT THAT...

ROGER THAT! THIS SHOULD BE EASY!
UM, COULD YOU MIX THE CHOPPED ONIONS AND GROUND MEAT TOGETHER?
SO... WHAT DO I DO FIRST?
HUH?
CAN'T SLACK OFF NOW!
THAT GIVES US ABOUT TWO HOURS!
AT SIX.
SO WHAT TIME'S THE PARTY START ING?
WELL ...
WHAT'S THE MAT-TER?
HMM...
ACCORDING TO THE COOKBOOK, THE SKIN OF THE GYOZA HAS TO BE... AS SOFT AS AN EARLOBE?
...I NEED TO MAKE THE GYOZA SKIN FIRST, BUT I'M HAVING SOME TROUBLE...
Home Economics
THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY...
HEY, YUKIKO? YOU HERE?
SHE LOOKS SO ADORABLE!
AN APRON?!
OH! GOOD MORNING!
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TODAY!
R-RIGHT SURE THING ...!

OKAY, THEN
I'D HAVE TO TEST OUT THE THICKNESS OF YOUR EARLOBE TOO
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.....
GO AHEAD.
UH...
RIGHT.
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AHA?
OH! I GOT IT!
BUT I THINK MY EARLOBE'S TOO THIN. IF WE MADE THEM LIKE THAT, I'M SURE THEY'D FALL APART.
COULD YOU LET ME TOUCH YOUR EARLOBE INSTEAD, SENPAI?
UH, SURE... I G-GUESS.
GREAT!
UH, I UNO...
THAT'S FUNNY. FEELS A BIT THICK SENPAI, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
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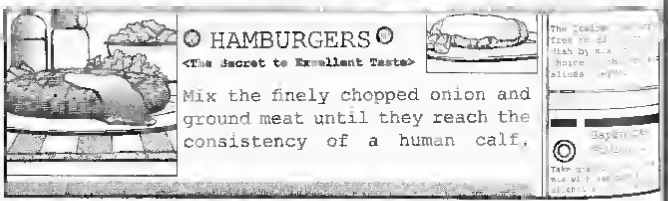
NOW, LET'S SEE...
SURE.
LET'S MAKE THE HAMBURGERS NEXT.

WHAT'S IT SAY?
HUH?!


HAMBURGERS
<The Secret to Excellent Taste>
Mix the finely chopped onion and ground meat until they reach the consistency of a human calf.

BUT IF I DON'T TEST IT OUT, WE WON'T KNOW HOW FIRM IT NEEDS TO BE.
I MEAN, I'M NOT VERY CONFIDENT ABOUT MY CALVES, EITHER.
B-B-BUT THERE'S NO WAY I COULD...!
!
I DOUBT THEY'RE REFERRING TO A GUY'S CALF WHEN THEY TALKING ABOUT SOFTNESS

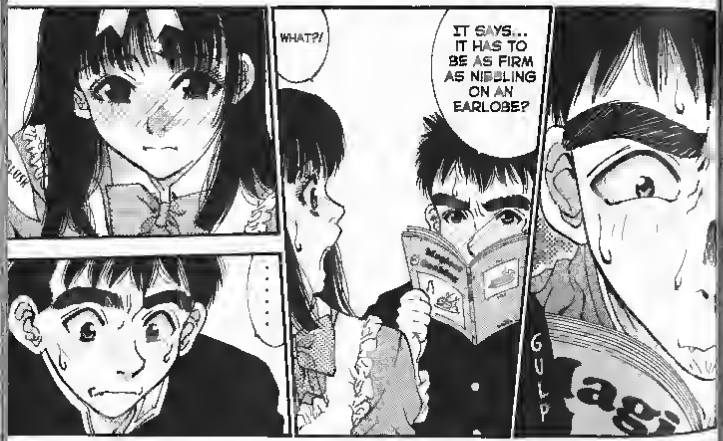
OH!!
HEE HEE! THAT TICKLES!

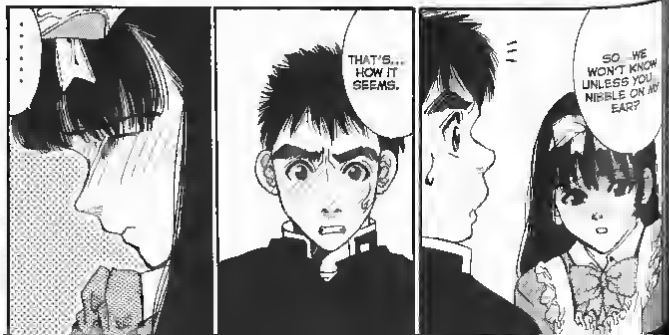
I THINK IT WAS... A BIT SOFTER THAN MINE...
SO.. HOW WAS IT?
.....

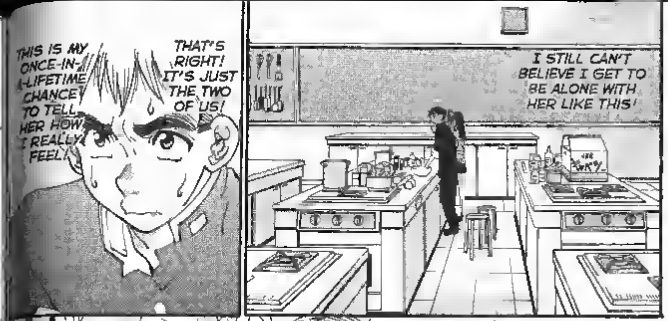
RIGHT!
LET'S JUST TAKE THE AVERAGE OF BOTH OF OURS, THEN.

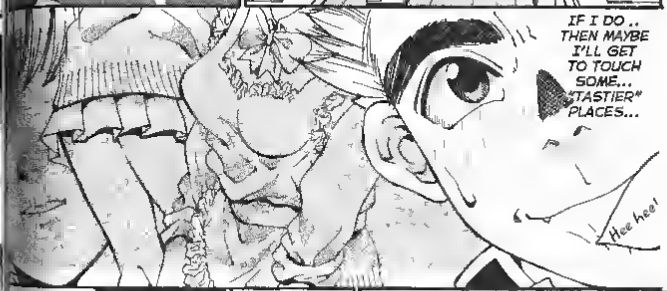
AND BOUNCY... AND FLEXIBLE ...!! ♡
TH-THEY'RE SO SOFT!!
THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE! ALMOST FORGOT WHERE I WAS FOR A SECOND!
Y-YUP! ALL DONE!
OOPS!
UM... IS THAT ENOUGH, YET?
SQUEEZE
S-GO AHEAD ...
A-ALL RIGHT, THEN ...
.....
OH NO, I'M TOO NERVOUS!
...TOUCHING A GIRL'S CALVES ISN'T SOMETHING YOU GET TO DO EVERY DAY!
EARLOBES WERE ONE THING, BUT
O-OKAY ...

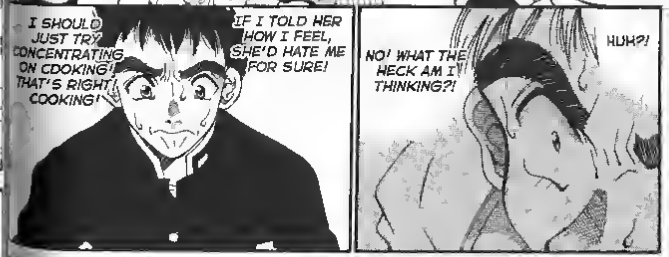
☆ Magical Cooking ☆
ULTIMATE ADVICE
Capellini
Al Dente
This pasta gets its name in Italian because of the leftover core of the boiled spaghetti being about the width of a single strand of hair. The firmness must be equal to that of nibbling on an earlobe.
FOR A SUCCESSFUL MEAT SAUCE
!!
D-OKAY
I'M SURE THE COOKBOOK WILL EXPLAIN HOW TO BOIL IT


WHAT?!
IT SAYS... IT HAS TO BE AS FIRM AS NIBBLING ON AN EARLOBE?
GULP


THAT'S... HOW IT SEEMS.
SO... WE WON'T KNOW UNLESS YOU NIBBLE ON MY EAR?

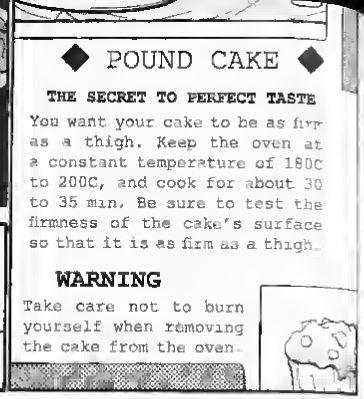

THIS IS MY ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CHANCE TO TELL HER HOW I REALLY FEEL!
THAT'S RIGHT! IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US!
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE I GET TO BE ALONE WITH HER LIKE THIS!


IF I DO.. THEN MAYBE I'LL GET TO TOUCH SOME... "TASTIER" PLACES...
Hee hee!

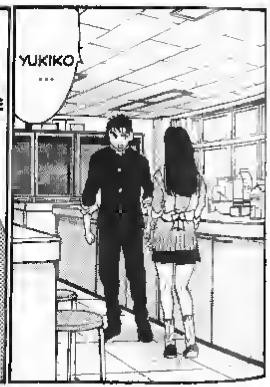

I SHOULD JUST TRY CONCENTRATING ON COOKING! THAT'S RIGHT! COOKING!
IF I TOLD HER HOW I FEEL, SHE'D HATE ME FOR SURE!
NO! WHAT THE HECK AM I THINKING?!
HUH?!

AL...AL DENTE? WHAT'S THAT?
SENPAI, COULD YOU PLEASE AL DENTE THE SPAGHETTI?
S-SURE!
LET'S PUT THE LEFTOVER MEAT INTO THE SAUCE, SHALL WE?

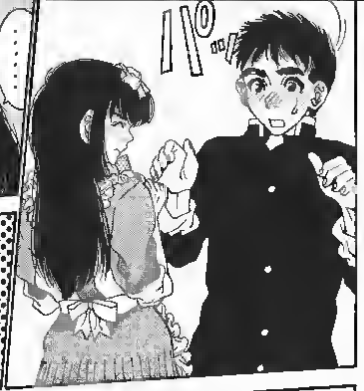
NIBBLE
NIBBLE
NIBBLE
MM!
SO THIS IS AL DENTE...
AH--SO SOFT.
THEN... PLEASE... BE GENTLE...
H-HERE I GO...
OH MAN...
CHUBBIE
THUMP THUMP
THUMP THUMP

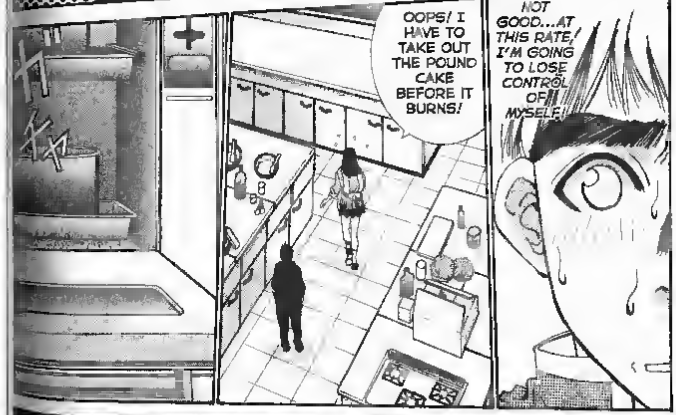

◆ POUND CAKE ◆
THE SECRET TO PERFECT TASTE
You want your cake to be as firm as a thigh. Keep the oven at a constant temperature of 180C to 200C, and cook for about 30 to 35 min. Be sure to test the firmness of the cake's surface so that it is as firm as a thigh.
WARNING
Take care not to burn yourself when removing the cake from the oven.

PLEASE FORGIVE ME!


YUKIKO...

THADUMP THADUMP




OOPS! I HAVE TO TAKE OUT THE POUND CAKE BEFORE IT BURNS!
NOT GOOD...AT THIS RATE, I'M GOING TO LOSE CONTROL OF MYSELF!

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LET'S DOUBLE CHECK...
IS IT HARD ENOUGH?
Poink Poink

Huff Huff
I G-GUESS THEY MEAN... THE INNER THIGH...
ゴクリ
OOPS~
SQUEEZ SQUEEZE
I...I NEVER KNEW SUCH SOFTNESS EXISTED ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD!
G-GO AHEAD...
I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH MORE OF THIS I CAN TAKE!!
HOLY CRAP!!
GASP

BE-CAUSE... I... I LIKED IT.
ME, TOO ...
YUKIKO ...
ME, TOO ...
HUH ...?
I LIKE YOU, TOO!!
R-RIGHT ...
I T-THINK... THAT'S ENOUGH ...!
NO—I'M WORSE THAN SCUM.
IF THAT'S HOW IT IS— THEN I'M SCUM!
SO THAT I COULD GET MY HANDS ON A SWEET AND INNOCENT UNDER-CLASSMAN...
OH NO! SHE MUST THINK THAT I'VE ONLY BEEN DOING THIS COOKING THING...
I'M SORRY!
IT'S ... IT'S OKAY.
YES ...?
YUKIKO

T-THEN... WOULD YOU GO OUT WITH ME?
WHY NOT?
HUH? MAYBE IF WE START OFF AS JUST FRIENDS...
BUT... I'M GLAD TO KNOW YOU FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT ME.
TH-THAT WAS...
BUT YOU WERE SO HAPPY THAT YOU STARTED CRYING! WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!!
..BECAUSE I WAS CUTTING THE ONIONS.
S-SENPAI, I...
...I WAS TALKING ABOUT THE COOKING.
WHEN I SAID I LIKED IT...
HUH?!
BUT...
O-OH... IS THAT S-SO...

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Report 50 Be My Steady or XXX?!

GLANCE
MUNCH
THAT'S A GOOD BOY. HAVE A TREAT.
Some Picky
I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE SAW ME ACTING LIKE SUCH A DOOFUS!
WHOA! IT'S A GIRL FROM THE PRESTIGIOUS ALL-GIRLS' SCHOOL!
TURN
!!!
JEEZ... COULD I LOOK ANY LAMER?!
ARRIVING AT NISHINODA STATION THIS IS NISHINODA STATION
HM?
UM, EXCUSE ME?
MAN, I'M STARVED. MAYBE I STOP AT A CONVENIENCE STORE...
FINE, THEN.
IT WAS YOUR BET, ANYWAY! LOSER HAS TO ACT LIKE A DOG!
NO SUTS ABOUT IT!
DO. .I REALLY HAVE TO?
?!
YOU'RE KILL-ING ME!
HA HA HA!
WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!
WOOF! ARRR! WOOF!

TALK ABOUT SUDDEN
YES...
Y-YOU MEAN, YOU WANT TO BE...MY GIRL-FRIEND?
N-NO! NOT AT ALL! I MEAN...
UNLESS ...Y-YOU DON'T WANT ME T-TO...
ER... I'M MICHIO HASHIMOTO. NICE TA MEETCHA.
MY NAME IS AKIKO TAKAMI
!
SAY WHAT?
LIKE MICHI
MICHIO-SAN?

IT'S THE GIRL FROM BEFORE...
UH... YEAH?
WELL...
HUH...?
...WOULD YOU PLEASE GO OUT WITH ME?

THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY...
!
SORRY I'M LATE ...!
GUESS I'M A BIT EARLY. I STILL GOT FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE I'M SUPPOSED TO MEET WITH AKIKO
SHE LOOKS EVEN CUTER THAN THE FIRST TIME I MET HER!
OOOOH!
SMILE
WHO?
COME ALONG, MICH-ELLE!
...WOULD MAKE A CUTE NICKNAME FOR YOU. BUT IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT
OOPS. I'M SORRY! I JUST THOUGHT "MICH ELLE"...

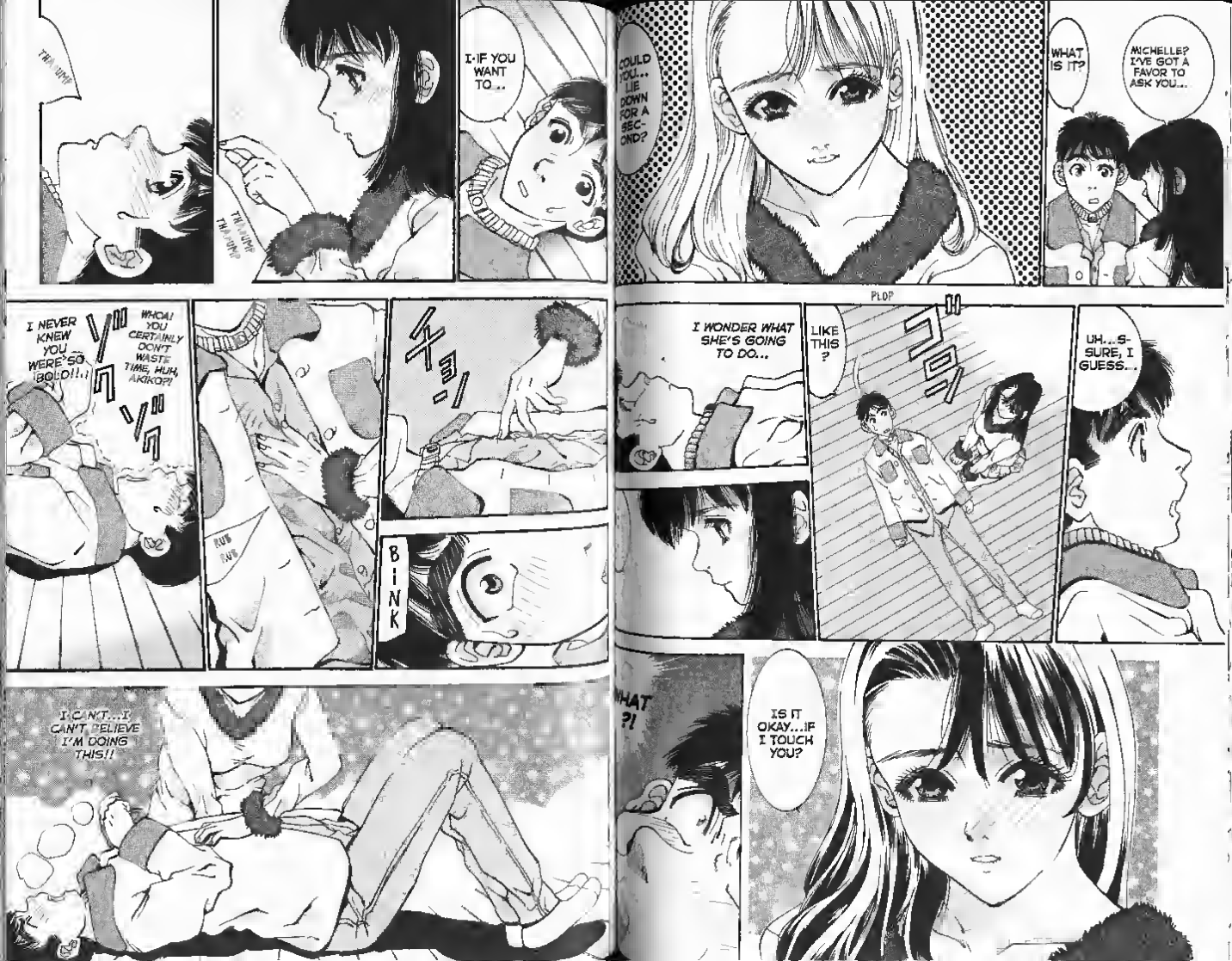
I CAN'T BELIEVE ANY OF THIS IS REAL...
IF YOU LIKE IT, WOULD YOU--
NOPE!
ARE YOU BUSY NEXT SUNDAY?
ER, N-NOTHING. IT'S NOTHING ...
.....
UH... RIGHT. L-LATER ...
SEE YOU LATER!
DONK DONK
OH MY GOD !!
HOW BEGINS THE HAPPIEST TIME OF MY PATHETIC LIFE!!
SO IT ISN'T JUST A DREAM AFTER ALL!

Y-YA REALLY THINK ...?
OH! IT LOOKS JUST PERFECT ON YOU!
♡
ER ...
I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU AS A PRESENT, MICHELLE!
I FEEL LIKE I'M FLOATING IN A DREAM
O-OKAY ...!
THEN LET'S GO FOR A WALK, MICHELLE!
I'M SO GLAD!
♡
NO! NO PROBLEM AT ALL! MICHELLE SOUNDS FINE!
SURE! WHY NOT?
CAN WE STOP AND TAKE A QUICK PEEK?
!
HEE HEE! YOU LOOK GREAT!
UH... I REALLY DON'T THINK IT LOOKS THAT GOOD ON ME...
BLANK
Y-YES! I'D LIKE THIS ONE, PLEASE!
NOW, LET'S SIT ...
OKAY, SHE MAY BE A LITTLE WEIRD--BUT SHE BOUGHT THIS AS A SIGN OF HER AFFECTION, SO I CAN'T SAY NO!
HEH HEH I'M GREAT
UH... OKAY?
HERE... TRY THIS ONE ON!

COME ON, MICHELLE! YOU CAN DO IT!
Pant Pant Pant
WHEEZE WHEEZE
IS THIS... HOW... COUPLES... PLAY FRISBEE?!
CLINK
HERE'S YOUR ORDER, MISS.
YEAH... PANT...IT W-WAS...
WHEEZE WHEEZE
BOY... FRISBEE SURE WAS A LOT OF FUN!
ONE'S FINE.
HOW MANY SUGAR CUBES WOULD YOU LIKE, MICHELLE?
WOA?
NOW— FETCH!
I BROUGHT MY FRISBEE! LET'S PLAY!
HUFF... HUFF...
WHA?!
AND... FETCH!
H-HERE!
HUFF... HUFF...

W-WELL, OKAY THEN. JUST FOR A BIT...
THEY WON'T MIND IF YOU COME OVER.
MY PARENTS ARE OUT WATCHING A MUSICAL, SO I'M WATCHING THE HOUSE ALONE.
HUH ?
SO MICHELLE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME TO MY HOUSE AFTER THIS?
IT'S LIKE A FREAKIN' CASTLE/ EXPENSIVE JUNK'S ALL OVER THE PLACE!
WOW... SO THIS IS AKIKO'S HOUSE?
OH/ NO PROB...
SORRY FOR THE WAIT/
MMPH ?!
HERE YOU GO!
I I'M SO SORRY I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF!
OOPS !
I GUESS THIS IS JUST ANOTHER WAY AKIKO SHOWS HER AFFECTION!..
..WEIRD 'BOUT IT.
BUT THERE'S STILL SOMETHING..

SNIFF
AND HER HAIR SMELLS SO SWEET.
I'VE NEVER SEEN HER UP CLOSE LIKE THIS BEFORE...
THUMP
I'M THE LUCKIEST BOY ON EARTH!!
THIS HAS GOTTA BE HEAVEN!
WAIT RIGHT HERE. I'LL GO GET A BRUSH.
D'OH! YOU'RE RIGHT!
SOME OF THE HAIR IN THE BACK OF YOUR HEAD'S STICKING UP.
HUH? WHAT IS IT?
OH MY!
THANKS!
OH... OKAY.
N-NOTHING...
.....
.....
HUH?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?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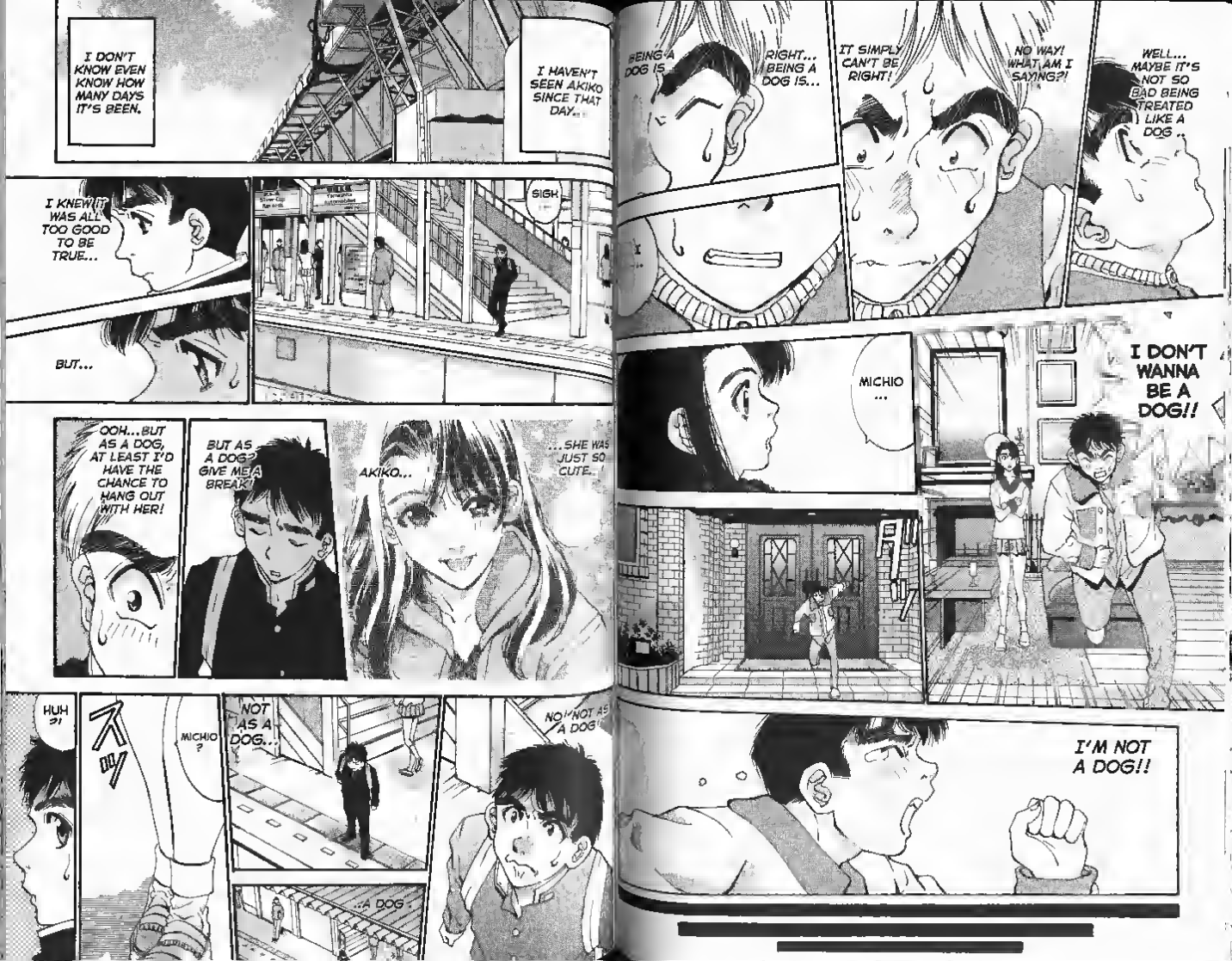
THUMP
I-IF YOU WANT TO...
COULD YOU... LIE DOWN FOR A SEC-OND?
WHAT IS IT?
MICHELLE? I'VE GOT A FAVOR TO ASK YOU...
PLOP
I WONDER WHAT SHE'S GOING TO DO...
LIKE THIS ?
UH...S-SURE, I GUESS...
I NEVER KNEW YOU WERE SO BOLD!!
WHOA! YOU CERTAINLY DON'T WASTE TIME, HUH, AKIKO?!
RUB RUB
BINK
WHAT ?!
IS IT OKAY...IF I TOUCH YOU?
I CAN'T...I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M DOING THIS!!

I LOVED HIM VERY MUCH, BUT NOW...
MY DOG'S NAME WAS MICHELLE.
HUH?!
I'M SORRY!
IT WAS ALMOST LIKE MICHELLE HAD COME BACK TO LIFE!
BUT WHEN I SAW YOU ACTING LIKE A DOG-- I JUST COULDN'T BELIEVE MY EYES!
I'VE BEEN DEPRESSED EVER SINCE.
HE GOT SICK BACK IN OCTOBER AND... AND HE DIED
.....
WAS JUST HER TREATING ME LIKE HER DEAD DOG!
NOW IT MAKES SENSE... EVERYTHING WE DID TOGETHER...
IN OTHER WORDS... SHE WAS USING ME AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR HER PRECIOUS DOG!!
Michelle and Me!
Akiko!!
Michelle!
C-COULD IT BE... THAT M-MAYBE SHE PLANS ON GOING TO... T-THIRD BASE?!
?!
THIS IS JUST LIKE HER PHOTO!!
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!
GLANCE
.....
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS ?


I DON'T KNOW EVEN KNOW HOW MANY DAYS IT'S BEEN.
I HAVEN'T SEEN AKIKO SINCE THAT DAY...
I KNEW IT WAS ALL TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE...
BUT...
SIGH
BEING A DOG IS...
RIGHT... BEING A DOG IS...
IT SIMPLY CAN'T BE RIGHT!
NO WAY! WHAT AM I SAYING?!
WELL... MAYBE IT'S NOT SO BAD BEING TREATED LIKE A DOG...
MICHIO ...
I DON'T WANNA BE A DOG!!
OOH... BUT AS A DOG, AT LEAST I'D HAVE THE CHANCE TO HANG OUT WITH HER!
BUT AS A DOG? GIVE ME A BREAK!
AKIKO...
...SHE WAS JUST SO CUTE...
HUH ?!
MICHIO ?
NOT AS A DOG...
NO!! NOT AS A DOG!!
...A DOG...
I'M NOT A DOG!!

...BUT WHILE WE WERE HANGING OUT...
I KNOW AT FIRST I THOUGHT I WANTED TO REPLACE MICHELLE WITH YOU. BUT...
HUH?
WAIT-
M-MAYBE, I'M MAKING A MISTAKE?
...I REALIZED THERE WAS MORE TO YOU THAN THAT.
...THEN...
IF...IF I'M NOT JUST A DOG TO YOU ANY-MORE...
SO...I MEAN MORE TO YOU THAN A DOG?!
DO YOU... REALLY MEAN THAT?
AKIKO?
OF COURSE
A-AKIKO?
I...I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE
NAH... IT'S ALL RIGHT.
B-BUT.. I'M NOT A DOG, UNDER-STAND?!
NOT SEEING YOU FOR SO LONG HAS MADE ME... SAD.

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COME ON, MICHELLE! LET'S GO!
OOPS THE TRAIN'S COMING!
OOPS!
URK!
NO, NO! IT'S OKAY...! AS LONG AS IT'S JUST A NAME...
I'M.. I'M SO SORRY! I DIDN'T MEAN IT!

YUM
WIPE
THANK
I'VE BEEN SO NERVOUS I NEVER HAD THE COURAGE TO DO IT. BUT
HOW COULD I FORGET...?
!
!
...IT'S TIME WE KISSED.
EAT UP!
POOF
HERE, KAYO I BOUGHT SOME STUFFED BREAD FOR US
AND JUST LIKE THAT, WE STARTED GOING OUT.
THANK YOU!
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT!
KAYO AND I HAVE BEEN THE BEST OF FRIENDS SINCE WE WERE KIDS!
HEY! NO FAIR, TAKEHITO! YOURS IS BIGGER!
OOPS! W-WHERE?
OH! YOU GOT SOME BEAN PASTE ON YOUR FACE

KAYO ...
.....
.....
.....
DON'T BLOW IT...JUST PLAY IT NICE AND SMOOTH...
HERE IT COMES
THUNUMP
G-GUESS THAT WAS, UH...OUR FIRST KISS, HUH?
BOY OH BOY! THE DAY OF MY FIRST KISS! THAT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU EASILY FORGET, RIGHT?
YUP! THIS ONE'S GOIN' DOWN IN HISTORY!
HUH?!
.....

JUST THE THOUGHT OF THAT KISS KEPT ME UP ALL NIGHT!
COME ON, LIKE IT ISN'T OBVIOUS? WE HAD OUR FIRST KISS THAT'S WHAT!
TAKE-HITO... ABOUT THAT KISS...
ピク
HUH?
WHAT ...?
IT WASN'T... MY FIRST.

THE NEXT DAY...
WOW! AFTER KISSING, THE WHOLE WORLD FEELS A LITTLE DIFFERENT!
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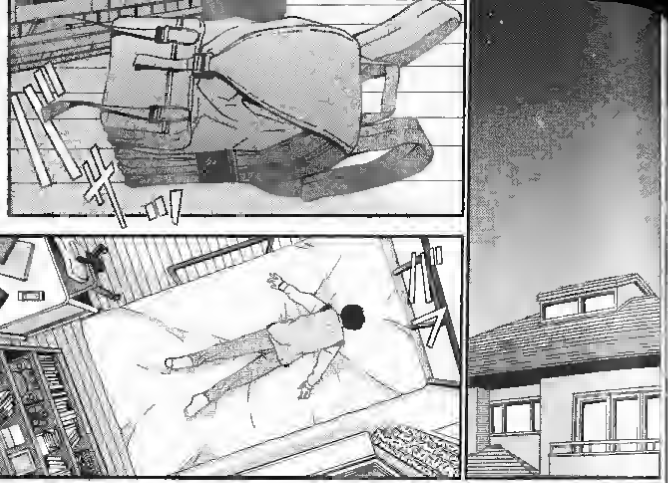
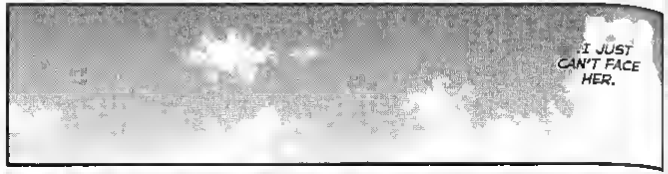
HMM ?
TAKE-HITO! ♡
HEY THERE! TOP OF THE MORNIN' TO YA!
WHAT ARE YOU SO HAPPY ABOUT?

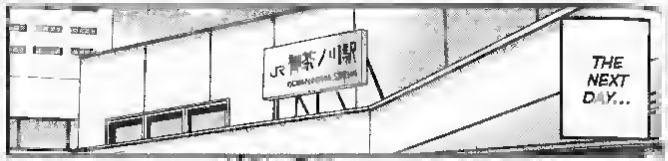


GOD, I FEEL LIKE SUCH A 'DOOF NOW!' GETTING ALL EXCITED OVER "OUR" FIRST KISS-- WHEN IN ACTUALITY, IT WAS ONLY MINE!
SO THAT MEANS...THERE WAS SOMEONE BEFORE ME...?
KAYO'S ALREADY KISSED SOMEONE ELSE?
KAYO... WITH ANOTHER GUY...

OH...IS THAT SO? HEH HEH...
WHAT... WHAT DOES THIS MEAN, NOW?
IS...IS SHE FOR REAL?
IT'S GOTTA BE A LIE!
NO! IT'S A LIE!
IT JUST C'N'T BE TRUE!!

HUH?
YOU OKAY, TAKEHITO? YOU'RE ACTING FUNNY.
HMM?
.....
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE STILL WORRIED ABOUT THAT FIRST KISS STUFF FROM YESTERDAY.
HMM? N-NOPE! I'M FEELIN' FINE!
.....
I MEAN, W-WHY WOULD I BE WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING SILLY LIKE THAT?
URK...
HEY!
OOPS! FORGOT SOMETHING AT HOME! SORRY, BUT I GOTTA JET!
N-NO! IT'S NOT THAT!
WELL, ABOUT THAT...
N-NO! I HAVE TO STOP THIS!
ANOTHER GUY...
THOSE LIPS TOUCHED ANOTHER GUY'S..
MAN! I GOTTA STOP THINKING ABOUT ALL THIS!
RIGHT NOW, SHE'S MY GIRLFRIEND AND I LOVE HER AND SHE SHOULD LOVE ME, TOO...
THE NEXT DAY...
BUT...
NO! NO!! I MUSTN'T THINK ABOUT IT!
GLANCE
THOSE LIPS...
YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE LOOK ON HER FACE!


...I JUST CAN'T FACE HER.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THE NEXT DAY...

KAYO...
TAKEHITO?

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THAT NEXT DAY...

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.....

...MAKING SUCH A BIG DEAL OF THIS...
I...I GUESS I'M THE ONE ACTING WEIRD...
THAT SHOULD BE NORMAL, BUT...
SHE'S ACTING THE SAME AS USUAL.

BUT...
BUT...

JR
!
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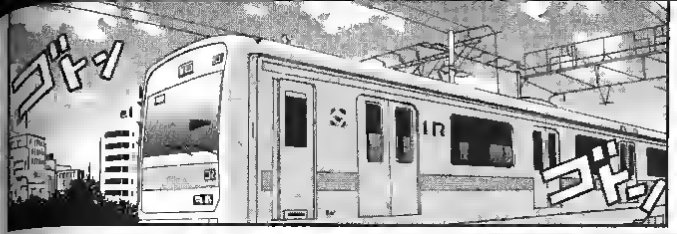
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M ACTING LIKE SUCH AN IDIOT!
URGH! WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME?!

W-WAIT ....!
I WAS RIGHT! YOU ARE STILL UPSET ABOUT THAT FIRST KISS THING, AREN'T YOU?
WELL THEN? WHAT IS IT? TELL ME!
TH-THAT'S NOT IT...
HMPH!!
I SAID IT'S NOTHING, ALL RIGHT?!

WHY THE OCEAN?
I DUNNO
WELL, WE DIDN'T COME ALL THIS WAY FOR NOTHIN'!
HMM...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SO... WHERE ARE WE GOING?
BEATS ME.

WHAT KIND OF MESS HAVE I GOTTEN US INTO NOW?!
DAMN IT!

I'M SORRY... FOR ACTING LIKE A JERK.
I'M SORRY, KAYO ...!
.....
.....
WH-WHY ARE YOU SAYING ALL THIS?
BUT I REALIZED JUST NOW... THAT I LOVE YOU, KAYO.
SURE, IT MAY BOTHER ME A LITTLE, BUT... IT'S OKAY NOW.
YOU SURE YOU WILL?
IT'S BECAUSE I LOVE YOU THAT I'LL FORGET ABOUT THE WHOLE FIRST KISS THING
EWW!!
EEEK!!
SPLASH
BUT I STILL LOVE HER, DON'T I?
HEH HEH
!
!!
.....

.....
IT WAS DURING THE CHRISTMAS PARTY IN KINDER-GARTEN!
JEEZ, YOUR MEMORY IS WORSE THAN I THOUGHT!
HUH?!
HUH?
YOU REALLY ARE AN IDIOT, YOU KNOW THAT?
HEE HEE!
YOU WANNA KNOW WHO MY FIRST KISS WAS WITH?
HEY! WHAT'RE YOU DOIN'?!
TAKE THAT!
THAT REALLY DID HAPPEN!
SHIT! SHE'S RIGHT!
W-WE DID?
WE EVEN PINKY-SWORE THAT WE'D NEVER FORGET IT!
WELL, THAT WAS OUR FIRST KISS!
I...I REMEMBER THAT! YOU AND ME! WE WERE...
M-ME?
IT WAS YOU, TAKE-HITO.
.....

IT'S NICE TO KNOW YOU DON'T CARE WHO I KISS, HMM?
HUH?
BUT I'M GLAD I FOUND OUT WHAT A BIG HEART YOU HAVE.
DUMMY!
B-BUT WHAT DID YOU EXPECT?! THAT WAS AGES AGO!
THAT WAS A REALLY IMPORTANT MEMORY FOR ME!
HEE HEE!
N-NO, I DIDN'T
I MEAN, OF COURSE I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU DIDN'T AND ALL...
THAT WAS JUST ER
I'M REALLY SORRY..
THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO TEASE YOU A BIT.

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YOU'RE SO LUCKY, TAKE-HITO!
YOU GOT TO HAVE TWO FIRST KISSES!
...WE SHARED OUR SECOND-- I MEAN, THIRD--KISS.
AND IN THE CHILLY WINTER OC...

WELL, ALL RIGHT... I GUESS.
M-ME?! UH, IT'S NOT REALLY MY THING, YA KNOW?
COME ON, CHI-HARU! YOU SING IT!
DON'T LOOK AT ME!
HEY! WHO PUT THIS SONG IN?
J-JUST
NEXT SILENT NIGHT
OKAY... HERE I GO.
I DIDN'T THINK SHE'D BE GOOD AT THIS SORT OF SONG, BUT... WOW.
SILENT NIGHT...
HOLY NIGHT...

カラオケ スタジオ
Hard Rock
INOO HOO!
YOU GO, CHI-HARU!
MY KICK IS 1,000 TONS! I'LL LO YOU 1,00
MAN... IT'S LIKE SHE WAS BORN TO PLAY ROCK MUSIC!
THAT'S CHIHARU SAWAI, IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING SHE'S IN MY CLASS— AND NOT TO MENTION, ONE OF MY BEST BUDS!
NOT ONLY IS SHE HARDCORE INTO ROCK— BUT SHE'S ALSO THE SINGER IN HER OWN BAND!
TO TELL THE TRUTH... I'VE GOT A BIT OF A CRUSH ON HER.

YOU, UH... GOT ANY PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE?
YUP, YOU'RE RIGHT
NOT MUCH LONGER 'TIL CHRIST-MAS, HUH?
...IF YOU WERE FREE TO GO OUT OR SOME-THIN'.
OH! UH, NO REASON! JUST, YA KNOW, WON-DERING...
CHRIST-MAS EVE? WHY DO YOU ASK?
HMM
R-REA-LLY?!
SURE. SOUNDS GOOD TO ME!
S-SURE! NO PROB!
OH, BUT I CAN'T STAY OUT LATE, OKAY?
WE SHOULD ALL GO OUT AGAIN SOME-TIME!
YEAH! WE SHOULD!
"ALL" OF US...?
WOW! WAS THAT FUN OR WHAT?!
SEE YA!
BUH-BYE!
SEE YOU!
LAT-ERS!
BYE!
I'D BE THE HAPPIEST GUY ON EARTH.
IF I GOT TO SPEND CHRISTMAS EVE WITH HER...
WELL, IF I'M GONNA ASK HER OUT, MIGHT AS WELL DO IT NOW!
ALMOST FORGOT... CHRISTMAS IS COMING UP.
AND HERE I WAS HOPING I COULD GET A DATE WITH HER. FOR ONCE, I WANT IT TO JUST BE ONE-ON-ONE...
WOW! WHAT A BIG TREE!

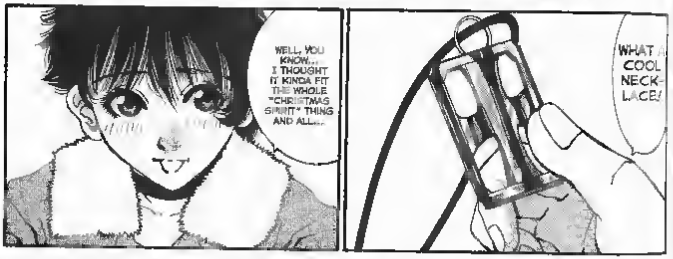
PRESENT... CHECK! ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO GIVE IT TO HER!
.....
WONDER WHAT SHE THINKS OF ME...?
.....
...IT SHOULD BE OKAY... RIGHT?
WELL, SHE DID AGREE TO GO ON THE DATE, SO...
I HAVE TO TELL HER HOW I FEEL!

RIGHT UH.
WELL, I'M HEADED THIS WAY
YES!!
'KAY.
LET'S GET GOIN'.
HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES!
.....
WOO HOO!!
...ON CHRISTMAS EVE!!
I GOT A DATE WITH CHIHARU!!

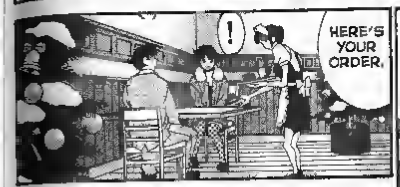
RIGHT?
A-ANYWAY, LET'S GO!
OH! HEY!
GLANCE
...I HAD THE COURAGE TO ASK HER OUT.
I'M JUST HAPPY...

CHRISTMAS EVE...
YO!
WHEW! I JUST CAN'T CALM DOWN!
TOMOFUMI! SORRY I'M LATE!

GO RIGHT AHEAD.
CAN I OPEN IT NOW?
YOU ARE TOO KIND!
HERE'S ONE FROM ME, TOO!
THANKS! YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE!


WELL, YOU KNOW... I THOUGHT IT KINDA FIT THE WHOLE "CHRISTMAS SPIRIT" THING AND ALL...
WHAT A COOL NECK-LACE!

RUSTLE
RUSTLE
CAN I OPEN MINE, TOO?
IT'S PER-FECT!
YEAH!
OH, WOW!!
BE MY GUEST!


!
HERE'S YOUR ORDER.

YEAH... THAT POOR RABBIT.
THAT MOVIE WAS A REAL TEAR-JERKER, WASN'T IT?

OH. MY. GAWD!

IT'S SOOO CUUUTE!!

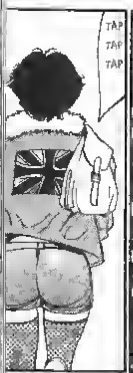
RUSTLE
OH! ALMOST FORGOT!
I GOT YOU A PRESENT!
AAAH... CHRISTMAS IS SO GREAT!

SORRY, BUT I GOTTA JET!

CRAP!
H-HEY, LISTEN...

WELL... THERE'S SOMEWHERE I HAVE TO BE.
B-BUT IT'S ONLY FOUR O'CLOCK!

HUH?!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HEY!
LOOK--I GOT GET GOING, 'KAY? I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

WHAT? THERE A PARTY AT YOUR HOUSE OR SOMETHING?

N-NO... NOTHING LIKE THAT...

WHAT A CUTE MUSIC BOX!

Angel

HMM...

N-NO REASON... JUST THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE A BIT... TOO CUTE FOR YOU OR SOMETHING.

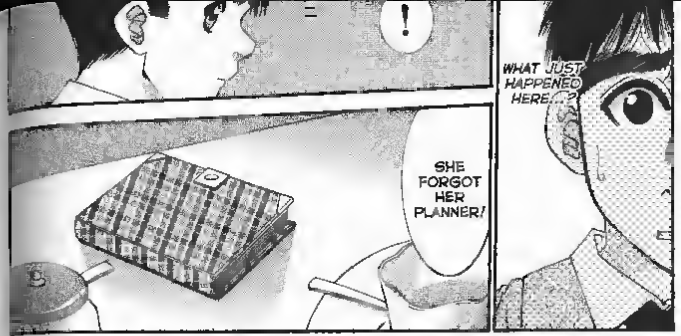
WHY WOULDN'T I?
THANK GOODNESS YOU LIKE IT!

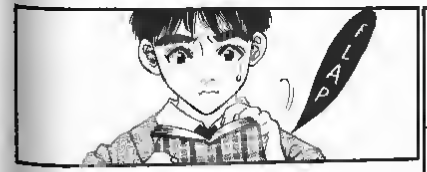
MAN... I FEEL LIKE I'M ON CLOUD NINE!

I'M GONNA TELL HER HOW I FEEL!
TODAY'S THE DAY...

WELL, I LOVE IT!

AT THE CHURCH AT FIVE...?
IT COULDN'T MEAN...
TO THINK I THOUGHT SHE'D ACTUALLY LIKE SOMEONE LIKE ME...
AND HERE I WAS IMAGINING I'D ACTUALLY HAVE A CHANCE.



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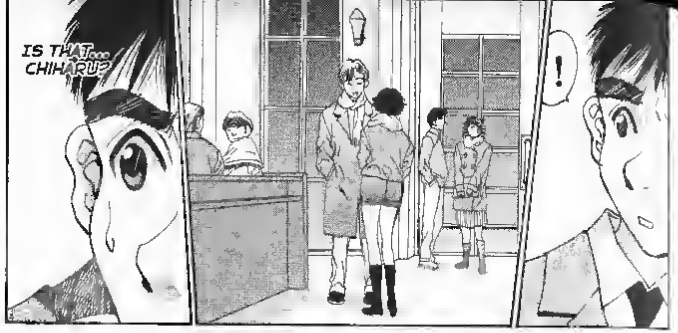
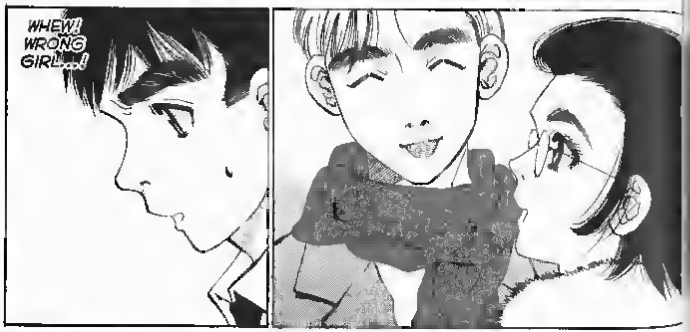
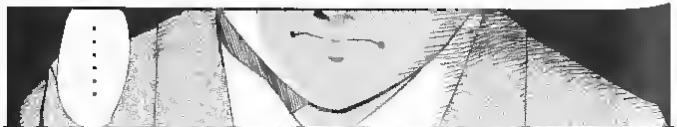
| 23 | Twelve p.m.: Go Shopping With Harumi |
| 24 | Twelve p.m.: Meet In Front of Station<br>Five p.m.: Sellepio Chapel |
| 25 | Party at Sayaka's! Gotta buy a present! |


IS THAT too CHIHARU?
!


WHEW! WRONG GIRL...!

WHAT AM I DOING?!
D...MMIT! WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME?!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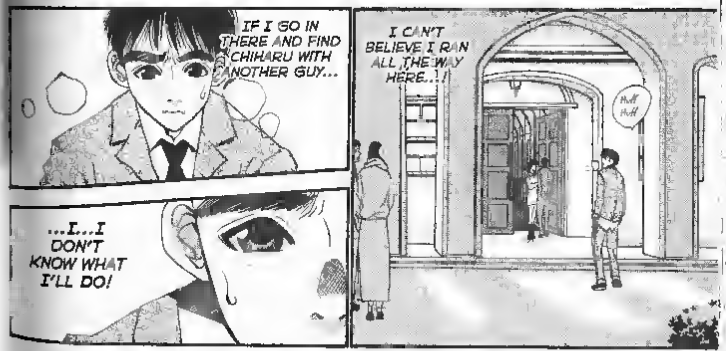
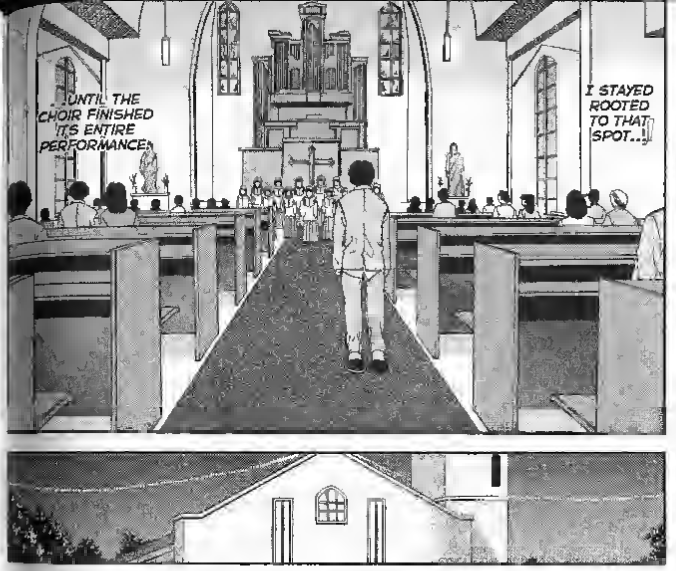

IF I GO IN THERE AND FIND CHIHARU WITH ANOTHER GUY...
I CAN'T BELIEVE I RAN ALL THE WAY HERE..!!
HUFF HUFF
...I...I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'LL DO!

BUT...
.....

CHIHARU...
BETTER JUST GO HOME
!
HUH ..?
AT LEAST THEN IT WOULD BE A HAPPIER CHRISTMAS FOR ME.
IF ONLY THE WHOLE "CHRISTMAS SPIRIT" THING WERE TRUE...

.....
HOW COME YOU NEVER TOLD ME YOU WERE IN THE CHURCH CHOIR?
SO I SNUCK A PEEK.
SORRY YOU FORGOT YOUR NOTE-BOOK AT THE CAFE...
.....
...AND I'VE SUNG HYMNS LIKE THIS FOR CHRISTMAS MASS ALMOST EVERY YEAR.
I'VE GONE TO CHURCH SINCE I WAS A LITTLE GIRL...
I-I DON'T THINK THAT AT ALL!
I MEAN, IT'S OBVIOUS THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS DOESN'T EXACTLY FIT MY PERSONA.
OF ALL PEOPLE, WHY DID YOU HAVE TO CATCH ME LIKE THIS?!
I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW EMBARRASSED I FEEL RIGHT NOW!


...UNTIL THE CHOIR FINISHED ITS ENTIRE PERFORMANCE.
I STAYED ROOTED TO THAT SPOT..!!

TOMOFUMI?!
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

HUH?
CHIHARU!!

...I SWEAR THAT I LOVE YOU!
I...
AND... I HAVE ONE MORE VOW.
HUH ...?
BECAUSE BOTH GOD AND SANTA CLAUS ARE LISTENING!
THAT'S A PRETTY HEAVY VOW ESPECIALLY HERE IN CHURCH-- AND ON CHRISTMAS EVE, NO LESS!

...YOU LOOK LIKE AN ANGEL WHEN YOU SING LIKE THAT.
TO BE HONEST ...
YOU FIT THE CHOIR PERFECTLY!
REALLY? SWEAR TO GOD?
YES.

# BOYS:BE™

Report 53 Happy New Year... in a Hotel?!

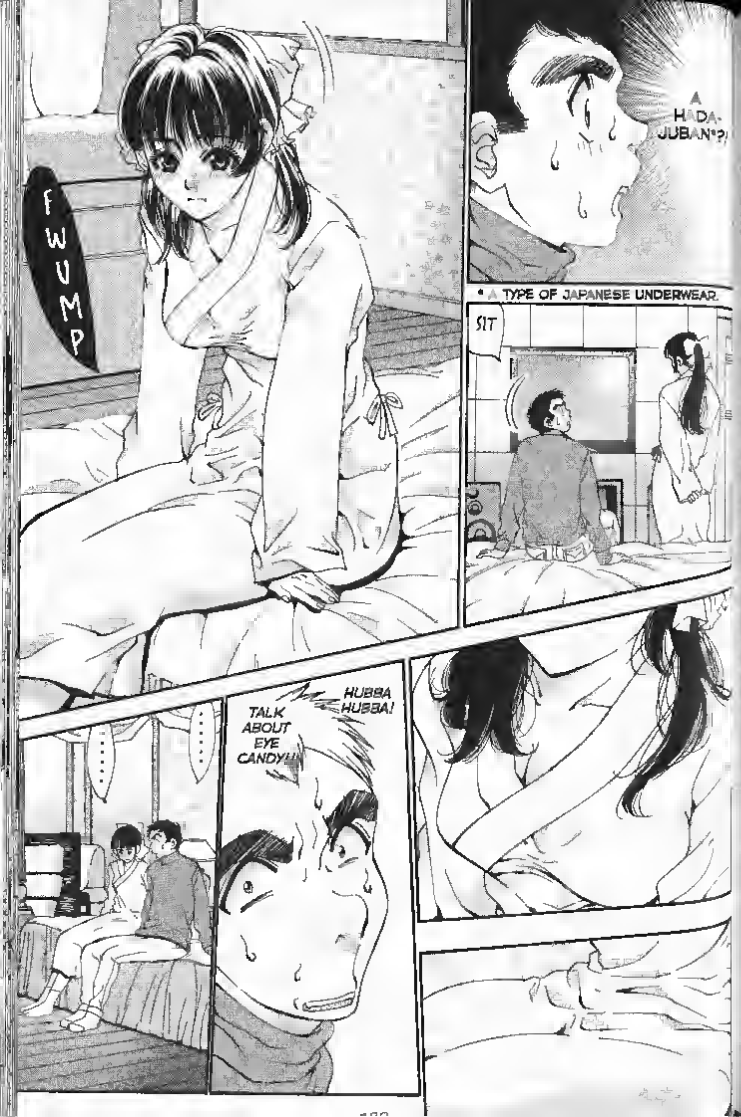
LET'S SEE. "YOUR PRAYERS WILL SOON BE ANSWERED."
WHAT'S YOURS SAY, KOUJI?
OH NOOO... MINE'S UNLUCKY!
IT SAYS I'LL HAVE GREAT LUCK THIS YEAR!
IT'S BEEN ONE LONG, PROUD YEAR THAT I'VE HAD MISAKI AS MY GIRLFRIEND
"BE WARY OF SICKNESS LOSING THINGS AND THE PERSON YOU'RE WAITING FOR BEING LATE."
MINE SAYS, "MISFORTUNE WILL SOON PAY YOU A VISIT."
BUT THE ONLY DOWNER IS THAT, EVEN TO THIS DAY, WE'VE NEVER GONE FURTHER THAN A KISS!
?!
SURE THING!
LET'S HANG THESE UP!
BESIDES, THE REASON YOU'RE WAITING FOR IS RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF YOU.
WELL, YOU CAN'T ALWAYS BELIEVE FORTUNE TELLERS.
HMPH! IS THAT SO?
I DON'T KNOW... MAYBE A BETTER GUY WILL COME ALONG.
NEW YEAR'S DAY...
...LET ME HAVE A TIGHT, HOT, BURNING LOVE WITH MISAKI!
DEAR GOD... PLEASE, THIS YEAR...
HUH?
KOUJI!
O-OH? I DIDN'T NOTICE!
YOU LOOK SERIOUS WHEN YOU'RE PRAYING!
HEE HEE!
WELL, I HOPE YOUR WISH COMES TRUE... WHATEVER IT IS!
IT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU, THOUGH.
ER, IF YOU WANT. I MEAN... THANKS!

SLIP SLIP
FIRST THINGS FIRST... LET'S GET OUT OF THIS CROWD!
WHAT DO WE DO?! WE'LL NEVER MAKE IT TO YOUR HOUSE AT THIS RATE!
I...I DON'T KNOW!
W-WHAT IS IT?!
MISAKI! LOOK OVER THERE!!
HMM?
BLUSH
OTEL

ズル
WHAT'S THE MATTER, MISAKI?
HELP! MY OBI* IS COMING UNDONE!
I DON'T WANT PEOPLE SEEING ME LIKE THIS...!
WHAT A DRAG! AFTER I DRESSED UP AND EVERYTHING!
IT'S WAY TOO HARD! I COULD NEVER DO IT BY MYSELF!
CAN YOU RE-TIE IT?
OH, NO!

*OBI IS THE SASH WORN ON A KIMONO.

THEY SAID IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER TWO HOURS
SO?
I UNDERSTAND.
YES... THAT'S RIGHT.
!
R RIGHT SHOULD CALL FROM DESK
WE ALSO OFFER DRESSING SERVICE
HUH?
NO! I'M SERIOUS! LOOK AT THE SIGN BY THE ENTRANCE!
ARE YOU CRAZY?! WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?!
...I REALIZE I'M IN A LOVE HOTEL ALONE WITH MISAKI... FOR TWO WHOLE HOURS!!
I JUST RUSHED IN HERE WITHOUT REALLY THINKING. BUT NOW THAT I'VE STOPPED FOR A SECOND...
TWO HOURS, HUH...?
O-OKAY...
IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE GONNA DO ANYTHING WEIRD, OKAY?!
THIS IS AN EMERGENCY!
I DUNNO...
"YOUR PRAYERS WILL SOON BE ANSWERED."
GASP
IT'S A CHANCE I CAN'T PASS UP!
THIS MIGHT JUST BE AN ONCE IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY BESTOWED UPON ME BY GOD HIMSELF!
NO...IT CAN'T BE... COULD IT?!

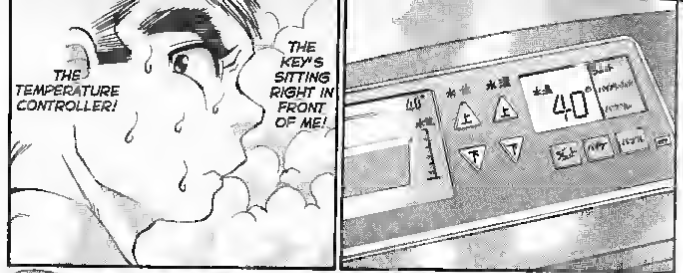

FWUMP
A HADA-JUBAN*?!
* A TYPE OF JAPANESE UNDERWEAR.
SIT
HUBBA HUBBA!
TALK ABOUT EYE CANDY!!!

HUH?
MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST TAKE IT OFF FOR NOW
UH, HEY...YOU BETTER NOT MOVE AROUND SO MUCH, OR YOU-LL, UH... M MESS UP YOUR KIMONO!
!
BOUNCE
BOUNCE
WHOA! CHECK OUT THE SIZE OF THIS BED!
A-AND I DON'T MEAN ANYTHING S-STRANGE BY THAT, EITHER!
WELL, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT. OFF IT GOES, THEN.
FLOP
GULP

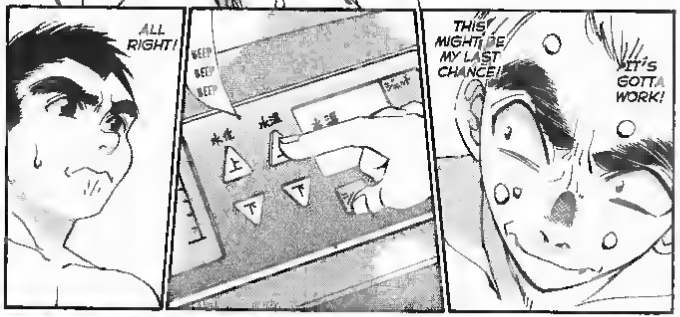
GASP! THAT'S IT!!
SWEET CANDY CORN!!
OH...
GREAT! WHAT IS IT?
I'VE GOT SOMETHING THAT'LL FEEL EVEN BETTER!
TOLD YOU IT WOULD!
AAAH... THIS FEELS GREAT!
WHY, THANK YOU!
BET A COUPLE O' HANDS'LL FEEL BETTE...
HUH?
HEEEY, MISAKI!!! HOW 'BOUT I GIVE YOU A MASSAAAGE
OKAY...! HERE GOES NOTHIN'!
IT'S AS EASY AS ONE, TWO, THREE...!
WHOA! ALMOST LOST IT FOR A SECOND, THERE...
I-I MEAN.. IT WAS JUST A JOKE! HA! JUST KIDDING!
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY ONE OF THESE!
BUZZZ
BUZZ
PERK
OH!
A MASSAGE CHAIR!
OOOOH! THAT FEELS SO GOOD! ♡
BOUNCE
BOUNCE

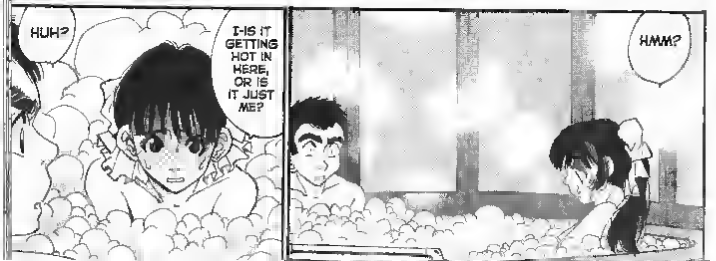
IF NOT, I'LL TOTALLY UNDERSTAND...
O-OF COURSE! T-THAT IS, IF YOU'RE COMFORTABLE GOING IN TOGETHER...
YOU WOULD...?
Y-YEAH, I'D LOVE TO GO IN FOR A BIT, TOO!
L...I DON'T MIND...
.....
S-SURE...
SLAM
YOU COME IN WHEN I SAY IT'S OKAY.
WELL.. I'M GOING TO GO IN FIRST, OKAY?
NO WAY!!
!
WOW!
W-WONDER WHAT ELSE THEY GOT IN HERE?
....
THERE'S A JACUZZI IN HERE!! TOO COOL!!
COME ON! WE ALREADY PAID FOR THE ROOM, ANYWAY! NO WAY I'M GOING TO PASS UP THIS CHANCE!
A DIP IN THE JACUZZI, HUH...?
HUH?!
MAYBE I'LL DROP IN FOR A SEC AND TRY IT OUT!

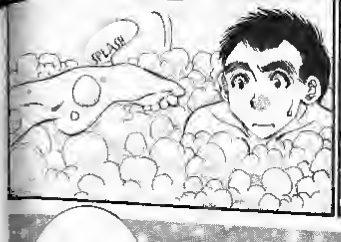
I CAN DO THIS!!
WOO HOO! THIS IS MY BIG CHANCE!
YES, MA'AM!!
I'M READY
HERE I GO...
HEE HEE! BET YOU WEREN'T EXPECTING THIS, HUH?
I'M SAFE AND SOUND WITH ALL THESE BUBBLES IN THE WAY...!
BUBBLES?
I... I DIDN'T THINK THERE'D BE SO MANY!
YOU COMIN' IN OR WHAT?
OH...
O-OF COURSE...
HUH?
SHE'S BIGGER THAN I THOUGHT!
WHOA..
AND JUST WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT!?
O-OH! N-NOTHING! NOTHING AT ALL!
START


THE TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER!
THE KEY'S SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME!
40°

SAY NO MORE, LET'S GO TO THE BEDROOM.
KOU...!?
AND THEN
MISAKI
THAT'S WHEN I'LL MAKE MY MOVE!
TOUCH TOO MUCH!
IF I GET THE WATER HOT ENOUGH, MISAKI'LL WANT TO GET OUT!


ALL RIGHT!
BEEP BEEP BEEP
THIS MIGHT BE MY LAST CHANCE!
IT'S GOTTA WORK!

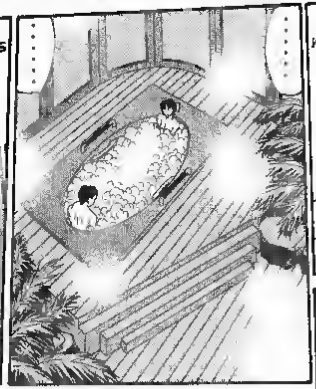

HUH?
I-IS IT GETTING HOT IN HERE, OR IS IT JUST ME?
HMM?


SLAM

GRIN

GOT YOU! THEY WERE JUST MY KNEES, SILLY!

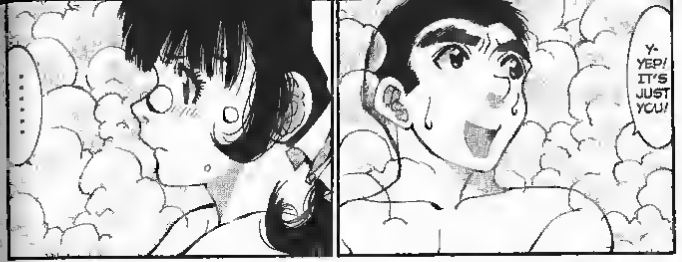
THAT'S IT!



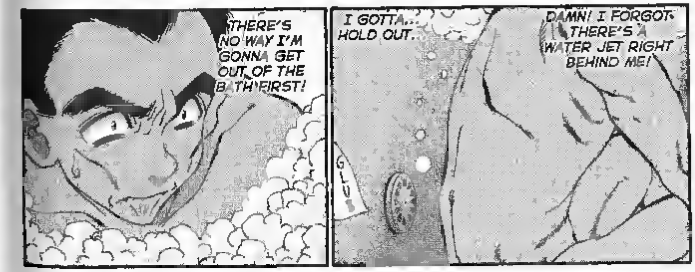
SHE'S WAY TOO COY!
ARRRGH! I CAN'T BELIEVE I FELL FOR THAT!

MUST STAY CALM... MUST STAY FOCUSED...!

水温 47°
ジェット
バブルバス
バブル
BEEP
N-NOPE!
水温 46°
バブル
BEEP
Y-YOU'RE NOT GETTING OUT...?
AAAAH!!


Y-YEP! IT'S JUST YOU!

THE HOT WATER'S COMING OUT FROM THAT END—SO YOU'RE AT THE DIS-ADVANTAGE.
FINE! I'LL PLAY YOUR LITTLE GAME.
ER...
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE PLANNING! YOU WANT ME TO GET OUT FIRST SO THAT YOU CAN SEE ME NAKED!


THERE'S NO WAY I'M GONNA GET OUT OF THE BATH FIRST!
I GOTTA... HOLD OUT.
DAMN! I FORGOT. THERE'S A WATER JET RIGHT BEHIND ME!

M-ME, TOO!
HMPH! I HAPPEN TO LOVE THE HEAT! BRING IT ON!

SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU ONLY THINK ABOUT DIRTY THINGS?
YOU REALLY ARE AN IDIOT, YOU KNOW THAT?
WHEEZE
.....
GLANCE
.....
PLEASE! I'M BEGGIN' YOU!! PLEASE LET ME DO IT WITH YOU!!
I... I...
WH-WHAT IS IT?
AMIBAN!

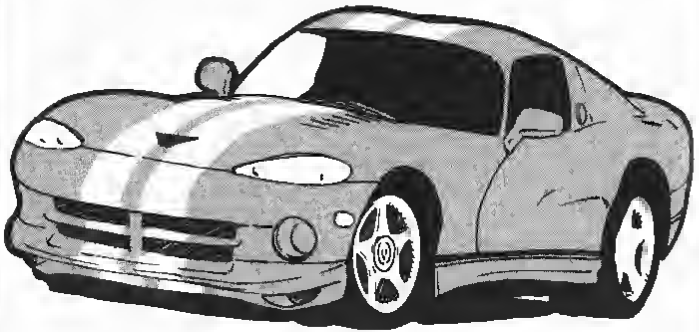
MUST NOT... GIVE IN...!
COME ON! JUST A LITTLE LONGER!
NO GOOD... BLOOD RUSHING... AWAY FROM HEAD
MUST REMAIN CONSCIOUS...!!
AND I AIN'T JUST TALKIN' 'BOUT THE WATER!
MAN! THIS IS TOO HOT!!
WOOSH!
EEEEEEK!!
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY-MORE!!
PHEW... THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE!

MISAKI!!
Gah!!
S-L-I-P
H-HELLO? YES. YES, THIS IS SHE. I SEE. ALL RIGHT.
WHAAAAT?!
THE KIMONO-DRESSER'S ON HER WAY UP.

I JUST LOVE YOU SO MUCH, MISAKI! PLEASE UNDERSTAND!
H-HUH?
WE'VE ALREADY BEEN GOING OUT FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR...
THAT'S WHY I WAS HOPING THAT... AT LEAST THIS YEAR...WE COULD...
HUH?
YOU SHOULD HAVE JUST ASKED FROM THE START.
HEH HEH
.....
MISAKI ...?
SO...I WAS THINKING IT'S ABOUT TIME WE...
WELL, I... I LOVE YOU TOO, KOUJI.

## TAMAKOSHI'S CAR LIFE

Just the other day, I finally got my class A driver's license. In celebration, I sold my beloved SUPRA and bought a 8LV-model, 10 cylinder, 450 PS Monster Machine Viper with a maximum speed of 300 km/h. Riding my wild baby and ripping down a mega-speed racecourse is the only satisfaction I find these days. When its six-speed manual transmission rumbles to life, the monstrous power freed from its 8L becomes an exhaust note. I have become a white Drifting King!



Oh, by the way, that whole story takes place in GT (Grand Turismo)!!

(I really don't even have a driver's license..)

DON'T FORGET, WE STILL HAVE ANOTHER 364 DAYS TO GO!
THIS IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE NEW YEAR!
YOU...YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS! IS THAT ALL YOU CAN SAY?!
GUESS THAT GET TLES THAT.
B-BUT I...I WAS SO CLOSE

# Next Time in BOYS BE

*On high school's magical journey, there are plenty of stops filled with love and loss. When a guy's girlfriend makes her own homepage, she ends up biting off a little more than she can chew...then a guy's extreme makeover has an unexpected effect on his crush...and new love blooms between a boy and girl who are considering the next steps in their futures!*

*When love is put to the test, these guys better study hard!*

## Itabashi's Ambitions on the Road of Life!!

(Last Time in Boys Be..) Boss Itabashi, who aims on conquering the world of Boys Be, devised a plan under the codename "Super-Nerd Comiket Advancing Tactics of Fear," but due to the system known as "lottery," was tragically struck down before it could advance. However, it hasn't turned out **all** bad. With the first game selling pretty well, Itabashi was able to produce a new Playstation game. Character design was done by High Priest Tamakoshi, and Boss Itabashi himself wrote the script. All shall wait in eager anticipation!

And that's not all! There seems to be rumor of it becoming a movie. Rumor has it Kumiko Endou will be playing the lead. Baron Isshin Inudou will be the director. For those of you who **don't** know him, I suggest you run out this minute and rent a copy of "Talking Together" from your local video store!

As you can see, the attack will begin from **two** sides. I call it "Battle Tactic Brainwash the Masses Media-Mix." And now I chant a spell to aid me in my quest for world domination. "Boys Beeee..."

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"Boss" Masahiro
Itabashi

*And in the red corner, we have "Feeling and Pleasure and Cooking". Of all the stories, we couldn't single out just one for the category of "worst relationship," so instead we decided to do a little spotlight on "most outrageous plot."*

*Talk about getting your soft-core porn mixed up with your cookbooks! I mean, I know cooking can get hot and steamy, but THIS? I'm sorry I missed the home ec class where we got to nibble on each other's ears!*

*And I can't get enough of those "Take me!" faces Yukiko pulls whenever Wakatabe has to poke at this and chew on that. @_@ If only they'd mentioned the ISBN number for that Magical Cooking book, I'd buy one myself!*

## Twin Talk: A Guy's Guide to Girls
## By Chirssy and Kathy Schilling

*Usually in the land of* Boys Be, *girls are weak, shy, and...well, you get the point. That's why it's always refreshing to see girls like Nami on the pages. In "Please! Give Me Some Love Power," Takurou realizes just how precious those little "love punches" can be, and how painful it is when he's denied them. There's no way we're promoting domestic violence, but this sneak peek into the world of "S&M" (sort of) goes to show that there are many kinds of love. In Takurou's case, it's true that "love hurts"...but in a good way!*

*Deep, philosophical messages aside, we love this chapter for its toilet humor and genuine hilarity. You gotta love this couple. I mean, taking the risk of farting in your girlfriend's face? That's trust, man. Another plus. For once, we get some fan-service for the female readers! A guy begging to be dominated? Yes, please!*

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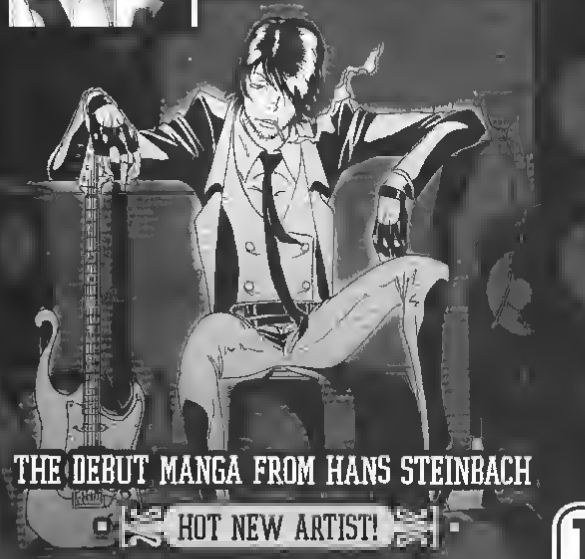

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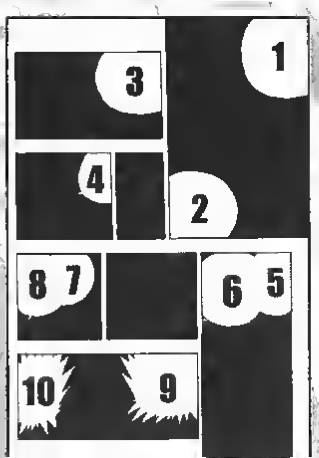


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